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The Order how the Psalter is appointed to be read.

THE Psalter shall be read through once every Month, as it is there appointed, both for Morning and Evening Prayer; but in *February* it shall be read only to the Twenty-eighth, or Twenty-ninth Day of the Month.

And whereas *January*, *March*, *May*, *July*, *August*, *October*, and *December*, have One-and-thirty Days apiece; it is ordered, that the same Psalms shall be read the last day of the said Months, which were read the day before: so that the Psalter may begin again the First Day of the next Month ensuing.

And whereas the 119th Psalm is divided into Twenty-two Portions, and is over-long to be read at one time; it is so ordered, that at one time shall not be read above four or five of the said portions.

And at the end of every Psalm, and of every such part of the 119th Psalm, shall be repeated this Hymn,

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Note, That the Psalter followeth the Division of the Hebrews, and the Translation of the great English Bible, set forth and used in the time of King *Henry* VIII. and *Edward* VI.

The Order how the rest of the Holy Scripture is appointed to be read.

THE Old Testament is appointed for the First Lesson at Morning and Evening Prayer; so as the most part thereof will be read over every Year once, as in the Calendar is appointed.

The New Testament is appointed for the Second Lesson at Morning and Evening Prayer; and shall be read over orderly every Year, thrice, besides the Epistles and Gospels; except the Apocalypse, out of which there are only certain Proper Lessons appointed upon divers Feasts.

And to know what Lessons shall be read every Day, look for the Day of the Month in the Calendar following; and there ye shall find the Chapters that shall be read for the Lessons both at Morning and Evening Prayer; except only the Moveable Feasts, which are not in the Calendar, and the Immoveable, where there is a blank left in the Column of Lessons; the Proper Lessons for all which days are to be found in the Table of Proper Lessons.

And note, That whensoever Proper Psalms or Lessons are appointed, then the Psalms and Lessons of ordinary course appointed in the Psalter and Calendar (if they be different) shall be omitted for that time.

Note also, That the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel appointed for the Sunday, shall serve all the Week after, where it is not in this Book otherwise ordered.

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PROPER LESSONS

TO BE READ

ON SUNDAYS.

Sundays of Advent.	MORNING.	EVENING.
1	Isaiah 1	Isaiah 2
2	5	24
3	25	26
4	30	32
Sundays after Christmas.		
1	Isaiah 37	Isaiah 38
2	41	43
Sundays after the Epiphany.		
1	Isaiah 44	Isaiah 46
2	51	53
3	55	56
4	57	58
5	59	64
6	65	66
Septuagesima.	Genesis 1	Genesis 2
Sexagesima.	3	6
Quinquagesima.	9, to ver. 20	Genesis 12
Sundays in Lent.		
1	19, to ver. 30	Genesis 22
2	27	34
3	39	42
4	43	45
5	Exodus 3	Exodus 5
6	—	—
1 Lesson,	9	10
2 Lesson,	Matt. 26	Heb.5,tov.11
Easter Day.		
1 Lesson,	Exodus 12	Exodus 14
2 Lesson,	Rom. 6	Acts 2, v. 22
Sundays after Easter.		
1	Numb. 16	Numb. 22
2	23, 24.	25.
3	Deuter. 4	Deuter. 5

Sundays after Easter.	MORNING.	EVENING.
4	Deuter. 6	Deuter. 7
5	8	9
Sunday after Ascension Day.	Deuter. 12.	Deuter. 13
Whit Sunday		
1 Lesson,	16, to v. 18.	Isaiah 11
2 Lesson,	Acts 10, v. 34.	Acts 19, to v. 21.
Trinity Sunday.		
1 Lesson,	Genesis 1	Genesis 18
2 Lesson,	Matt. 3	1 John 5
Sundays after Trinity.		
1	Joshua 10	Joshua 23
2	Judges 4	Judges 5
3	1 Sam. 2	1 Sam. 3
4	12	13
5	15	17
6	2 Sam. 12	2 Sam. 19
7	21	24
8	1 Kings 13	1 Kings 17
9	18	19
10	21	22
11	2 Kings 5	2 Kings 9
12	10	18
13	19	23
14	Jerem. 5	Jerem. 22
15	35	36
16	Ezekiel 2	Ezekiel 13
17	14	18
18	20	24
19	Daniel 3	Daniel 6
20	Joel 2	Micah 6
21	Habak. 2	Prov. 1
22	Prov. 2	3
23	11	12
24	13	14
25	15	16
26	17	19

PROPER PSALMS

ON CERTAIN DAYS.

	MORNING.	EVENING.
Christmas Day.	Psalm 19	Psalm 89
	45	110
	85	132
Ash Wednesday.	Psalm 6	Psalm 102
	32	130
	38	143
Good Friday.	Psalm 22	Psalm 69
	40	88
	54	

	MORNING.	EVENING.
Easter Day.	Psalm 2	Psalm 113
	57	114
	111	118
Ascension Day.	Psalm 8	Psalm 24
	15	47
	21	108
Whit Sunday	Psalm 48	Psalm 104
	68	145

PROPER LESSONS
TO BE READ
ON HOLY-DAYS.

	MORNING.	EVENING.
St. Andrew.	Prov. 20	Prov. 21
St. Thomas the Apostle.	Prov. 23	Prov. 24
Nativity of Christ.		
1 Lesson,	Isa. 9, to v. 8	Isa. 7, v. 10 to 17.
2 Lesson,	Lu. 2, to v. 15	Tit. 3. v. 4 to 9.
St. Stephen.		
1 Lesson,	Prov. 28.	Eccles. 4.
2 Lesson,	Acts 6, v. 8, and ch. 7, to v. 30.	Acts 7, v. 30 to 55.
St. John Ev.		
1 Lesson,	Eccles. 5	Eccles. 6
2 Lesson,	Rev. 1	Rev. 22
Innocents' Day.	Jer. 31, to v. 18.	Wisdom 1
Circumcision.		
1 Lesson,	Genesis 17	Deu. 10, v. 12
2 Lesson,	Rom. 2	Coloss. 2
Epiphany.		
1 Lesson,	Isaiah 60.	Isaiah 49
2 Lesson,	Luke 3, to v. 23.	John 2, to v. 12.
Conversion of St. Paul.		
1 Lesson,	Wisdom 5.	Wisdom 6
2 Lesson,	Acts 22, to v. 22.	Acts 26
Purif. of the V. Mary.	Wisdom 9	Wisdom 12
St. Matthias.	Wisdom 19	Ecclus. 1
Annunciation of our Lady.	Ecclus. 2	Ecclus. 3
Wedn. before Easter.		
1 Lesson,	Hosea 13.	Hosea 14
2 Lesson,	John 11, v. 45	
Thurs. before Easter.		
1 Lesson,	Daniel 9	Jerem. 31
2 Lesson,	John 13	
Good Friday.		
1 Lesson,	Gen. 22, to v. 20.	Isaiah 53
2 Lesson,	John 18	1 Peter 2
Easter Eve.		
1 Lesson,	Zech. 9	Exodus 13
2 Lesson,	Lu. 23, v. 50	Hebr. 4
Monday in Easter Week.		
1 Lesson,	Exodus 16	Exodus 17
2 Lesson,	Matt. 28	Acts 3
Tuesday in Easter Week.		
1 Lesson,	Exodus 20.	Exodus 32.
2 Lesson,	Luke 24, to v. 13.	1 Cor. 15.

	MORNING.	EVENING.
St. Mark.	Ecclus. 4	Ecclus. 5
St. Philip & St. James.		
1 Lesson,	Ecclus. 7	Ecclus. 9
2 Lesson,	John 1, v. 43	
Ascension Day.		
1 Lesson,	Deuter. 10	2 Kings 2.
2 Lesson,	Lu. 24, v. 44	Eph. 4, to v. 17.
Monday in Whitsun-Week.		
1 Lesson,	Gen. 11, to v. 10.	Num. 11, v. 16 to 30.
2 Lesson,	1 Cor. 12	1 Cor. 14 to v. 26.
Tuesday in Whitsun-Week.		
1 Lesson,	1 Sam. 19, v. 18.	Deuter. 30
2 Lesson,	1 Thess. 5, v. 12 to 24.	1 John 4, to v. 14.
St. Barnabas		
1 Lesson,	Ecclus. 10.	Ecclus. 12.
2 Lesson,	Acts 14	Acts 15, to v. 36.
St. John Baptist.		
1 Lesson,	Malachi 3	Malachi 4.
2 Lesson,	Matt. 3	Matt. 14, to v. 13
St. Peter.		
1 Lesson,	Ecclus. 15	Ecclus. 19
2 Lesson,	Acts 3	Acts 4.
St. James.	Ecclus. 21	Ecclus. 22
St. Bartholomew.	Ecclus. 24	Ecclus. 29
St. Matthew.	Ecclus. 35	Ecclus. 38
St. Michael.		
1 Lesson,	Gen. 32	Dan. 10, v. 5
2 Lesson,	Acts 12, to v. 20.	Jude, ver. 6 to 16.
St. Luke.	Ecclus. 51	Job 1
St. Simon & St. Jude.	Job 24, 25	Job 42
All Saints.		
1 Lesson,	Wisdom 3, to v. 10.	Wisdom 5, to v. 17.
2 Lesson,	Hebr. 11, v. 33, & 12, to v. 7.	Rev. 19, to v. 17.

JANUARY.

CALENDAR.			TABLE OF LESSONS.			
			MORNING.		EVENING.	
			1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
1	A	*Circumcision.* .	—	—	—	—
2	b	. . . . .	Genesis 1	Matth. 1	Genesis 2	Rom. 1
3	c	. . . . .	3	2	4	2
4	d	. . . . .	5	3	6	3
5	e	. . . . .	7	4	8	4
6	f	*Epiphany.* . . .	—	—	—	—
7	g	. . . . .	9	5	12	5
8	A	Lucian, P. . .	13	6	14	6
9	b	. . . . .	15	7	16	7
10	c	. . . . .	17	8	18	8
11	d	. . . . .	19	9	20	9
12	e	. . . . .	21	10	22	10
13	f	Hilary, Bp. . .	23	11	24	11
14	g	. . . . .	25	12	26	12
15	A	. . . . .	27	13	28	13
16	b	. . . . .	29	14	30	14
17	c	. . . . .	31	15	32	15
18	d	Prisca, V. . . .	33	16	34	16
19	e	. . . . .	35	17	37	1 Cor. 1
20	f	Fabian, Bp. .	38	18	39	2
21	g	Agnes, Virg. .	40	19	41	3
22	A	Vincent, M. .	42	20	43	4
23	b	. . . . .	44	21	45	5
24	c	. . . . .	46	22	47	6
25	d	*Conversion of*	—	—	—	—
26	e	*[St. Paul.*	48	23	49	7
27	f	. . . . .	50	24	Exodus 1	8
28	g	. . . . .	Exodus 2	25	3	9
29	A	. . . . .	4	26	5	10
30	b	King *Charles*	†6	27	7	11
31	c	*[Mart.*	8	28	9	12

† Exodus 6. is to be read only to Verse 14.

FEBRUARY.

CALENDAR.			TABLE OF LESSONS.			
			MORNING.		EVENING.	
			1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
1	d	. . . . . Fast.	Exodus 10	Mark 1	Exodus 11	1 Cor. 13
2	e	*Purif. V. Mary*	—	2	—	14
3	f	Blasius, B. & M.	12	3	13	15
4	g	. . . . .	14	4	15	16
5	A	Agatha, V. . .	16	5	17	2 Cor. 1
6	b	. . . . .	18	6	19	2
7	c	. . . . .	20	7	21	3
8	d	. . . . .	22	8	23	4
9	e	. . . . .	24	9	32	5
10	f	. . . . .	33	10	34	6
11	g	. . . . .	Lev. 18	11	Lev. 19	7
12	A	. . . . .	20	12	26	8
13	b	. . . . .	Num. 11	13	Num. 12	9
14	c	Valentine, B. .	13	14	14	10
15	d	. . . . .	16	15	17	11
16	e	. . . . .	20	16	21	12
17	f	. . . . .	22	Lu. 1 *to* 39	23	13
18	g	. . . . .	24	1. *ver.* 39.	25	Gal. 1
19	A	. . . . .	27	2	30	2
20	b	. . . . .	31	3	32	3
21	c	. . . . .	35	4	36	4
22	d	. . . . .	Deut. 1	5	Deut. 2	5
23	e	. . . . . Fast.	3	6	4	6
24	f	*St. Matthias, A.*	—	7	—	Ephes. 1
25	g	. . . . .	5	8	6	2
26	A	. . . . .	7	9	8	3
27	b	. . . . .	9	10	10	4
28	c	. . . . .	11	11	12	5
29	—	. . . . .	13	Matth. 7	14	Rom. 12
—	—	. . . . .	—	—	—	—
—	—	. . . . .	—	—	—	—

☞ This Month hath 29 Days in every Leap-Year.

MARCH.

CALENDAR.			TABLE OF LESSONS.			
			MORNING.		EVENING.	
			1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
1	d	David, Abp.	Deut. 15	Luke 12	Deut. 16	Eph. 6
2	e	Chad, Bp. .	17	13	18	Philip. 1
3	f	. . . . .	19	14	20	2
4	g	. . . . .	21	15	22	3
5	A	. . . . .	24	16	25	4
6	b	. . . . .	26	17	27	Col. 1
7	c	Perpetua. . .	28	18	29	2
8	d	. . . . .	30	19	31	3
9	e	. . . . .	32	20	33	4
10	f	. . . . .	34	21	Joshua 1	1 Thes. 1
11	g	. . . . .	Joshua 2	22	3	2
12	A	Greg. M. B.	4	23	5	3
13	b	. . . . .	6	24	7	4
14	c	. . . . .	8	John 1	9	5
15	d	. . . . .	10	2	23	2 Thes. 1
16	e	. . . . .	24	3	Judges 1	2
17	f	. . . . .	Judges 2	4	3	3
18	g	Edw. K. of	4	5	5	1 Tim. 1
19	A	[West Sax.	6	6	7	2, 3
20	b	. . . . .	8	7	9	4
14 21	c	Benedict. . .	10	8	11	5
5 22	d	. . . . .	12	9	13	6
23	e	. . . . .	14	10	15	2 Tim. 1
11 24	f	. . . . . Fast.	16	11	17	2
25	g	*Annunc. of*	—	12	—	3
19 26	A	[*V. Mary.*	18	13	19	4
8 27	b	. . . . .	20	14	21	Titus 1
28	c	. . . . .	Ruth 1	15	Ruth 2	2, 3
16 29	d	. . . . .	3	16	4	Philem.
5 30	e	. . . . .	1 Sam. 1	17	1 Sam. 2	Hebr. 1
31	f	. . . . .	3	18	4	2

☞ The Numbers here prefixed to the several Days between the Twenty-first Day of *March*, and the Eighteenth Day of *April*, both inclusive, denote the Days upon which those Full Moons do fall, which happen upon or next after the Twenty-first Day of *March*, in those Years, of which they are

APRIL.

CALENDAR.				TABLE OF LESSONS.			
				MORNING.		EVENING.	
				1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
13	1	g	. . . . .	1 Sam. 5	John 19	1 Sam. 6	Hebr. 3
2	2	A	. . . . .	7	20	8	4
	3	b	Richard, B.	9	21	10	5
10	4	c	Ambrose. . .	11	Acts 1	12	6
	5	d	. . . . .	13	2	14	7
18	6	e	. . . . .	15	3	16	8
7	7	f	. . . . .	17	4	18	9
	8	g	. . . . .	19	5	20	10
15	9	A	. . . . .	21	6	22	11
4	10	b	. . . . .	23	7	24	12
	11	c	. . . . .	25	8	26	13
12	12	d	. . . . .	27	9	28	James 1
1	13	e	. . . . .	29	10	30	2
	14	f	. . . . .	31	11	2 Sam. 1	3
9	15	g	. . . . .	2 Sam. 2	12	3	4
	16	A	. . . . .	4	13	5	5
17	17	b	. . . . .	6	14	7	1 Peter 1
6	18	c	. . . . .	8	15	9	2
	19	d	Alphe. Abp.	10	16	11	3
	20	e	. . . . .	12	17	13	4
	21	f	. . . . .	14	18	15	5
	22	g	. . . . .	16	19	17	2 Peter 1
	23	A	George. . . .	18	20	19	2
	24	b	. . . . .	20	21	21	3
	25	c	*S. Mark*, Ev.	—	22	—	1 John 1
	26	d	. . . . .	22	23	23	2
	27	e	. . . . .	24	24	1 Kings 1	3
	28	f	. . . . .	1 Kings 2	25	3	4
	29	g	. . . . .	4	26	5	5
	30	A	. . . . .	6	27	7	2, 3 John
—	—		. . . . .	—	—	—	—

respectively the Golden Numbers; and the Sunday-Letter next following any such Full Moon, points out *Easter-day* for that Year. All which holds until the Year of our Lord 1899 inclusive; after which Year, the places of these Golden Numbers will be to be changed.

MAY.

CALENDAR.			TABLE OF LESSONS.			
			MORNING.		EVENING.	
			1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
1	b	*St. Philip* and	—	—	—	Jude
2	c	[*James*, Ap.	1 Kings 8	Acts 28	1 Kings 9	Rom. 1
3	d	Invention of	10	Matth. 1	11	2
4	e	[the Cross.	12	2	13	3
5	f	. . . . .	14	3	15	4
6	g	John Port. Lat.	16	4	17	5
7	A	. . . . .	18	5	19	6
8	b	. . . . .	20	6	21	7
9	c	. . . . .	22	7	2 Kings 1	8
10	d	. . . . .	2 Kings 2	8	3	9
11	e	. . . . .	4	9	5	10
12	f	. . . . .	6	10	7	11
13	g	. . . . .	8	11	9	12
14	A	. . . . .	10	12	11	13
15	b	. . . . .	12	13	13	14
16	c	. . . . .	14	14	15	15
17	d	. . . . .	16	15	17	16
18	e	. . . . .	18	16	19	1 Cor. 1
19	f	Dunstan, Abp.	20	17	21	2
20	g	. . . . .	22	18	23	3
21	A	. . . . .	24	19	25	4
22	b	. . . . .	Ezra 1	20	Ezra 3	5
23	c	. . . . .	4	21	5	6
24	d	. . . . .	6	22	7	7
25	e	. . . . .	9	23	Neh. 1	8
26	f	Augustin, Abp.	Neh. 2	24	4	9
27	g	Ven. Bede, Pr.	5	25	6	10
28	A	. . . . .	8	26	9	11
29	b	K. *Charles* II.	10	27	13	12
30	c	[Rest.	Esther 1	28	Esther 2	13
31	d	. . . . .	3	Mark 1	4	14

JUNE.

CALENDAR.			TABLE OF LESSONS.			
			MORNING.		EVENING.	
			1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
1	e	Nicomede.	Esther 5	Mark 2	Esther 6	1 Cor. 15
2	f	. . . . .	7	3	8	16
3	g	. . . . .	9	4	Job 1	2 Cor. 1
4	A	. . . . .	Job 2	5	3	2
5	b	Boniface, Bp.	4	6	5	3
6	c	. . . . .	6	7	7	4
7	d	. . . . .	8	8	9	5
8	e	. . . . .	10	9	11	6
9	f	. . . . .	12	10	13	7
10	g	. . . . .	14	11	15	8
11	A	*St. Barnabas,*	—	—	—	—
12	b	[A. & M.	16	12	17, 18	9
13	c	. . . . .	19	13	20	10
14	d	. . . . .	21	14	22	11
15	e	. . . . .	23	15	24, 25	12
16	f	. . . . .	26, 27	16	28	13
17	g	Alban, M. . . .	29	Luke 1	30	Gal. 1
18	A	. . . . .	31	2	32	2
19	b	. . . . .	33	3	34	3
20	c	Tr. of Edw. K.	35	4	36	4
21	d	[of West Sax.	37	5	38	5
22	e	. . . . .	39	6	40	6
23	f	. . . . . Fast.	41	7	42	Ephes. 1
24	g	*St. John Bapt.*	—	—	—	—
25	A	. . . . .	Prov. 1	8	Prov. 2	2
26	b	. . . . .	3	9	4	3
27	c	. . . . .	5	10	6	4
28	d	. . . . . Fast.	7	11	8	5
29	e	*St. Peter,* Ap. .	—	—	—	—
30	f	. . . . .	9	12	10	6
—	—	. . . . .	—	—	—	—

JULY.

CALENDAR.			TABLE OF LESSONS.			
			MORNING.		EVENING.	
			1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
1	g	. . . . .	Prov. 11	Luke 13	Prov. 12	Philip. 1
2	A	Visit. of Mary.	13	14	14	2
3	b	. . . . .	15	15	16	3
4	c	Tr. of S. Mart.	17	16	18	4
5	d	. . . . .	19	17	20	Col. 1
6	e	. . . . .	21	18	22	2
7	f	. . . . .	23	19	24	3
8	g	. . . . .	25	20	26	4
9	A	. . . . .	27	21	28	1 Thes. 1
10	b	. . . . .	29	22	31	2
11	c	. . . . .	Eccles. 1	23	Eccles. 2	3
12	d	. . . . .	3	24	4	4
13	e	. . . . .	5	John 1	6	5
14	f	. . . . .	7	2	8	2 Thes. 1
15	g	Swithun, Bp. .	9	3	10	2
16	A	. . . . .	11	4	12	3
17	b	. . . . .	Jer. 1	5	Jer. 2	1 Tim. 1
18	c	. . . . .	3	6	4	2, 3
19	d	. . . . .	5	7	6	4
20	e	Margaret, V. .	7	8	8	5
21	f	. . . . .	9	9	10	6
22	g	Mary Magd. .	11	10	12	2 Tim. 1
23	A	. . . . .	13	11	14	2
24	b	. . . . . Fast.	15	12	16	3
25	c	*St. James*, Ap.	—	13	—	4
26	d	Anne.	17	14	18	Titus 1
27	e	. . . . .	19	15	20	2, 3
28	f	. . . . .	21	16	22	Philem.
29	g	. . . . .	23	17	24	Hebr. 1
30	A	. . . . .	25	18	26	2
31	b	. . . . .	27	19	28	3

AUGUST.

CALENDAR.			TABLE OF LESSONS.			
			MORNING.		EVENING.	
			1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
1	c	Lammas-Day.	Jer. 29	John 20	Jer. 30	Hebr. 4
2	d	. . . . .	31	21	32	5
3	e	. . . . .	33	Acts 1	34	6
4	f	. . . . .	35	2	36	7
5	g	. . . . .	37	3	38	8
6	A	Transfigurat. .	39	4	40	9
7	b	Name of Jesus.	41	5	42	10
8	c	. . . . .	43	6	44	11
9	d	. . . . .	45, 46	7	47	12
10	e	Lawrence. . . .	48	8	49	13
11	f	. . . . .	50	9	51	James 1
12	g	. . . . .	52	10	Lam. 1	2
13	A	. . . . .	Lam. 2	11	3	3
14	b	. . . . .	4	12	5	4
15	c	. . . . .	Ezek. 2	13	Ezek. 3	5
16	d	. . . . .	6	14	7	1 Peter 1
17	e	. . . . .	13	15	14	2
18	f	. . . . .	18	16	33	3
19	g	. . . . .	34	17	Dan. 1	4
20	A	. . . . .	Dan. 2	18	3	5
21	b	. . . . .	4	19	5	2 Peter 1
22	c	. . . . .	6	20	7	2
23	d	. . . . . Fast.	8	21	9	3
24	e	*S. Bartholomew*	—	22	—	1 John 1
25	f	. . . . .	10	23	11	2
26	g	. . . . .	12	24	Hosea 1	3
27	A	. . . . .	Hos. 2, 3	25	4	4
28	b	Augustin, B. .	5, 6	26	7	5
29	c	John Bapt. be-	8	27	9	2, 3 John
30	d	[headed.	10	28	11	Jude
31	e	. . . . .	12	Matth. 1	13	Rom. 1

SEPTEMBER.

CALENDAR.			TABLE OF LESSONS.			
			MORNING.		EVENING.	
			1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
1	f	Giles, Abbot. .	Hosea 14	Matth. 2	Joel 1	Rom. 2
2	g	. . . . .	Joel 2	3	3	3
3	A	. . . . .	Amos 1	4	Amos 2	4
4	b	. . . . .	3	5	4	5
5	c	. . . . .	5	6	6	6
6	d	. . . . .	7	7	8	7
7	e	Enurchus, Bp.	9	8	Obad.	8
8	f	Nativity of Vir.	Jonah 1	9	Jonah 2, 3	9
9	g	[Mary.	4	10	Micah 1	10
10	A	. . . . .	Micah 2	11	3	11
11	b	. . . . .	4	12	5	12
12	c	. . . . .	6	13	7	13
13	d	. . . . .	Nahum 1	14	Nahum 2	14
14	e	Holy Cross. . .	3	15	Hab. 1	15
15	f	. . . . .	Hab. 2	16	3	16
16	g	. . . . .	Zeph. 1	17	Zeph. 2	1 Cor 1
17	A	Lambert, Bp. .	3	18	Haggai 1	2
18	b	. . . . .	Haggai 2	19	Zech. 1	3
19	c	. . . . .	Zec. 2, 3	20	4, 5	4
20	d	. . . . Fast.	6	21	7	5
21	e	*St. Matthew.* .	—	22	—	6
22	f	. . . . .	8	23	9	7
23	g	. . . . .	10	24	11	8
24	A	. . . . .	12	25	13	9
25	b	. . . . .	14	26	Mal. 1	10
26	c	Cyprian, Abp.	Mal. 2	27	3	11
27	d	. . . . .	4	28	Tobit 1	12
28	e	. . . . .	Tobit 2	Mark 1	3	13
29	f	*St. Michael.* . .	—	2	—	14
30	g	Jerom, Pr. . .	4	3	6	15
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OCTOBER.

CALENDAR.			TABLE OF LESSONS.			
			MORNING.		EVENING.	
			1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
1	A	Remigius, Bp.	Tobit 7	Mark 4	Tobit 8	1 Cor. 16
2	b	. . . . .	9	5	10	2 Cor. 1
3	c	. . . . .	11	6	12	2
4	d	. . . . .	13	7	14	3
5	e	. . . . .	Judith 1	8	Judith 2	4
6	f	Faith, V. & M.	3	9	4	5
7	g	. . . . .	5	10	6	6
8	A	. . . . .	7	11	8	7
9	b	Denys, Bp. . .	9	12	10	8
10	c	. . . . .	11	13	12	9
11	d	. . . . .	13	14	14	10
12	e	. . . . .	15	15	16	11
13	f	Transl. of K.	Wisd. 1	16	Wisd. 2	12
14	g	[Edw. Conf.	3	Lu. 1 *to* 39	4	13
15	A	. . . . .	5	1. *ver.* 39.	6	Gal. 1
16	b	. . . . .	7	2	8	2
17	c	Etheldreda. . .	9	3	10	3
18	d	*St. Luke*, Evan.	—	4	—	4
19	e	. . . . .	11	5	12	5
20	f	. . . . .	13	6	14	6
21	g	. . . . .	15	7	16	Ephes. 1
22	A	. . . . .	17	8	18	2
23	b	. . . . .	19	9	Eccl^{us} 1	3
24	c	. . . . .	Eccl^{us} 2	10	3	4
25	d	Crispin, Mar. .	4	11	5	5
26	e	. . . . .	6	12	7	6
27	f	. . . . . Fast.	8	13	9	Philip. 1
28	g	*Simon & Jude.*	—	14	—	2
29	A	. . . . .	10	15	11	3
30	b	. . . . .	12	16	13	4
31	c	. . . . . Fast.	14	17	15	Col. 1

NOVEMBER.

CALENDAR.			TABLE OF LESSONS.			
			MORNING.		EVENING.	
			1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
1	d	*All Saints.* . . .	—	—	—	—
2	e	. . . . .	Eccl[us] 16	Luke 18	Eccl[us] 17	Col. 2
3	f	. . . . .	18	19	19	3
4	g	. . . . .	20	20	21	4
5	A	*Papists' Consp.*	22	21	23	1 Thes. 1
6	b	Leonard, Conf.	24	22	25 *to* v. 13	2
7	c	. . . . .	27	23	28	3
8	d	. . . . .	29	24	30 *to* v. 18	4
9	e	. . . . .	31	John 1	32	5
10	f	. . . . .	33	2	34	2 Thes. 1
11	g	Martin, Bp. . .	35	3	36	2
12	A	. . . . .	37	4	38	3
13	b	Britius, Bp. . .	39	5	40	1 Tim. 1
14	c	. . . . .	41	6	42	2, 3
15	d	Machutus, Bp.	43	7	44	4
16	e	. . . . .	45	8	46 *to* v. 20	5
17	f	Hugh, Bp. . . .	47	9	48	6
18	g	. . . . .	49	10	50	2 Tim. 1
19	A	. . . . .	51	11	Baruch 1	2
20	b	Edm. K. & M.	Baruch 2	12	3	3
21	c	. . . . .	4	13	5	4
22	d	Cecilia, V.& M.	6	14	Hist. Sus.	Titus 1
23	e	Clement, Bp. .	Bel & Dra.	15	Isaiah 1	2, 3
24	f	. . . . .	Isaiah 2	16	3	Philem.
25	g	Catherine, V. .	4	17	5	Hebr. 1
26	A	. . . . .	6	18	7	2
27	b	. . . . .	8	19	9	3
28	c	. . . . .	10	20	11	4
29	d	. . . . . Fast.	12	21	13	5
30	e	*St. Andrew.* . .	—	Acts 1	—	6
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DECEMBER.

CALENDAR.			TABLE OF LESSONS.			
			MORNING.		EVENING.	
			1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*	1 *Lesson.*	2 *Lesson.*
1	f	. . . . .	Isaiah 14	Acts 2	Isaiah 15	Hebr. 7
2	g	. . . . .	16	3	17	8
3	A	. . . . .	18	4	19	9
4	b	. . . . .	20, 21	5	22	10
5	c	. . . . .	23	6	24	11
6	d	Nicolas, Bp. . .	25	7 *to* v. 30	26	12
7	e	. . . . .	27	7. *ver.* 30	28	13
8	f	Conception of	29	8	30	James 1
9	g	[V. Mary.	31	9	32	2
10	A	. . . . .	33	10	34	3
11	b	. . . . .	35	11	36	4
12	c	. . . . .	37	12	38	5
13	d	Lucy, V. & M.	39	13	40	1 Peter 1
14	e	. . . . .	41	14	42	2
15	f	. . . . .	43	15	44	3
16	g	O Sapientia. . .	45	16	46	4
17	A	. . . . .	47	17	48	5
18	b	. . . . .	49	18	50	2 Peter 1
19	c	. . . . .	51	19	52	2
20	d	. . . . . Fast.	53	20	54	3
21	e	*St. Thomas*, Ap.	—	21	—	1 John 1
22	f	. . . . .	55	22	56	2
23	g	. . . . .	57	23	58	3
24	A	. . . . . Fast.	59	24	60	4
25	b	*Christmas Day.*	—	—	—	—
26	c	*St. Stephen*, M.	—	—	—	—
27	d	*St. John*, Ap. .	—	—	—	—
28	e	*Innocents' Day.*	—	25	—	5
29	f	. . . . .	61	26	62	2 John
30	g	. . . . .	63	27	64	3 John
31	A	Silvester, Bp. .	65	28	66	Jude

TABLES AND RULES

For the MOVEABLE and IMMOVEABLE FEASTS;

TOGETHER WITH THE

DAYS OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE.

Rules to know when the Moveable Feasts and Holy-Days begin.

EASTER DAY, on which the rest depend, is always the First Sunday after the Full Moon, which happens upon, or next after the Twenty-first Day of *March*; and if the Full Moon happens upon a Sunday, *Easter Day* is the Sunday after.

Advent Sunday is always the nearest Sunday to the Feast of *St. Andrew*, whether before or after.

Septuagesima, *Sexagesima*, *Quinquagesima*, *Quadragesima* } Sunday is { Nine, Eight, Seven, Six } Weeks before *Easter*.

Rogation Sunday, *Ascension Day*, *Whit Sunday*, *Trinity Day* } is { Five Weeks, Forty Days, Seven Weeks, Eight Weeks } after *Easter*.

A TABLE of all the FEASTS that are to be observed in the UNITED CHURCH *of* ENGLAND *and* IRELAND.

All Sundays in the Year.

The Days of the Feasts of
- The Circumcision of our Lord JESUS CHRIST.
- The Epiphany.
- The Conversion of *St. Paul*.
- The Purification of the Blessed Virgin.
- *St. Matthias* the Apostle.
- The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin.
- *St. Mark* the Evangelist.
- *St. Philip* and *St. James*, Apostles.
- The Ascension of our Lord JESUS CHRIST.
- *St. Barnabas*.
- The Nativity of *St. John Baptist*.
- *St. Peter* the Apostle.
- *St. James* the Apostle.
- *St. Bartholomew* the Apostle.
- *St. Matthew* the Apostle.
- *St. Michael* and all Angels.
- *St. Luke* the Evangelist.
- *St. Simon* and *St. Jude*, Apostles.
- All Saints.
- *St. Andrew* the Apostle.
- *St. Thomas* the Apostle.
- The Nativity of our Lord.
- *St. Stephen* the Martyr.
- *St. John* the Evangelist.
- The Holy Innocents.

Monday and *Tuesday* in *Easter Week*.
Monday and *Tuesday* in *Whitsun Week*.

A TABLE

OF THE

VIGILS, FASTS, AND DAYS OF ABSTINENCE.

The Evens or Vigils before

- The Nativity of our Lord JESUS CHRIST
- The Purification of the Blessed Virgin *Mary*.
- The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin.
- Easter Day.
- Ascension Day.
- Pentecost.
- *St. Matthias.*
- *St. John Baptist.*
- *St. Peter.*
- *St. James.*
- *St. Bartholomew.*
- *St. Matthew.*
- *St. Simon* and *St. Jude.*
- *St. Andrew.*
- *St. Thomas.*
- All Saints.

Note, *That if any of these Feast-Days fall upon a Monday, then the Vigil or Fast-Day shall be kept upon the Saturday, and not upon the Sunday next before it.*

Days of Fasting or Abstinence.

I. The Forty Days of Lent.

II. The Ember Days at the Four Seasons, being the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, after

1. The First Sunday in Lent.
2. The Feast of Pentecost.
3. *September* 14.
4. *December* 13.

III. The Three Rogation Days, being the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday before Holy Thursday, or the Ascension of our Lord.

IV. All the Fridays in the year, except *Christmas Day.*

Certain Solemn Days for which particular Services are appointed.

I. The Fifth Day of *November*, being the day kept in memory of the Papists' Conspiracy.

II. The Thirtieth Day of *January*, being the day kept in memory of the Martyrdom of King *Charles* I.

III. The Twenty-ninth Day of *May*, being the day kept in memory of the Birth and Return of King *Charles* II.

IV. The Twenty-ninth Day of *January*, being the day on which his Majesty began his happy Reign.

A TABLE *to find* EASTER-DAY *from the present Time till the Year* 1899 *inclusive, according to the foregoing Calendar.*

Golden Number.	Day of the Month.	Sunday Letter.
XIV	March 21	C
III	22	D
	23	E
XI	24	F
	25	G
XIX	26	A
VIII	27	B
	28	C
XVI	29	D
V	30	E
	31	F
XIII	April 1	G
II	2	A
	3	B
X	4	C
	5	D
XVIII	6	E
VII	7	F
	8	G
XV	9	A
IV	10	B
	11	C
XII	12	D
I	13	E
	14	F
IX	15	G
	16	A
XVII	17	B
VI	18	C
	19	D
	20	E
	21	F
	22	G
	23	A
	24	B
	25	C

THIS Table contains so much of the Calendar as is necessary for the determining of *Easter*; to find which, look for the Golden Number of the year in the first column of the Table, against which stands the day of the Paschal Full Moon; then look in the third column for the Sunday-Letter, next after the day of the Full Moon, and the Day of the Month standing against that Sunday-Letter is *Easter-Day*. If the Full Moon happens upon a Sunday, then (according to the first rule) the next Sunday after is *Easter-Day*.

To find the Golden Number, or Prime, add one to the year of our Lord, and then divide by 19; the remainder, if any, is the Golden Number: but if nothing remaineth, then 19 is the Golden Number.

To find the Dominical or Sunday-Letter, according to the Calendar, until the year inclusive, add to the year of our Lord its fourth part, omitting fractions: divide the sum by 7; and if there is no remainder, then A is the Sunday-Letter: But if any number remaineth, then the letter standing against that number in the small annexed Table, is the Sunday-Letter.

1899	
0	A
1	G
2	F
3	E
4	D
5	C
6	B

Note, That in all Bissextile or Leap-Years, the Letter found, as above, will be the Sunday-Letter from the intercalated day exclusive, to the end of the year.

Another TABLE *to find* EASTER *till the Year* 1899 *inclusive.*

SUNDAY-LETTERS.

Golden Numb.	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
I	April 16	17	18	19	20	14	15
II	April 9	3	4	5	6	7	8
III	Mar. 26	27	28	29	23	24	25
IV	April 16	17	11	12	13	14	15
V	April 2	3	4	5	6	Mar. 31	Apr. 1
VI	April 23	24	25	19	20	21	22
VII	April 9	10	11	12	13	14	8
VIII	April 2	3	Mar. 28	29	30	31	Apr. 1
IX	April 16	17	18	19	20	21	22
X	April 9	10	11	5	6	7	8
XI	Mar. 26	27	28	29	30	31	25
XII	April 16	17	18	19	13	14	15
XIII	April 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
XIV	Mar. 26	27	28	22	23	24	25
XV	April 16	10	11	12	13	14	15
XVI	April 2	3		5	Mar. 30	31	Apr. 1
XVII	April 23	24	18	19	20	21	22
XVIII	April 9	10	11	12	13	7	8
XIX	April 2	Mar. 27	28	29	30	31	Apr. 1

TO make use of the preceding Table, find the Sunday-Letter for the year in the uppermost line, and the Golden Number, or Prime, in the column of Golden Numbers, and against the Prime in the same line under the Sunday Letter, you have the day of the month on which *Easter* falleth that year. But note, That the name of the month is set on the left hand, or just with the figure, and followeth not as in other tables by descent, but collateral.

A TABLE OF THE MOVEABLE FEASTS,

FROM 1805 TO 1856.

The Year of our Lord.	Golden Number.	The Epact.	Sunday-Letter.	Sundays after Epiph.	Septuagesima Sunday.	The First Day of Lent.	Easter Day.	Rogation Sunday.	Ascension Day.	Whit Sunday.	Sundays after Trinity.	Advent Sunday.
1805	1	0	F	4	Feb. 10	Feb. 27	Apr. 14	May 19	May 23	June 2	29	Dec. 1
1806	2	11	E	3	2	19	6	11	15	May 25	25	Nov. 30
1807	3	22	D	2	Jan. 25	11	Mar. 29	3	7	17	26	29
1808	4	3	CB	5	Feb. 14	Mar. 2	Apr. 17	22	26	June 5	23	27
1809	5	14	A	3	Jan. 29	Feb. 15	2	7	11	May 21	26	Dec. 3
1810	6	25	G	6	Feb. 18	Mar. 7	22	27	31	June 10	28	2
1811	7	6	F	4	10	Feb. 27	14	19	23	2	24	1
1812	8	17	ED	2	Jan. 26	12	Mar. 29	3	7	May 17	26	Nov. 29
1813	9	28	C	5	Feb. 14	Mar. 3	Apr. 18	23	27	June 6	23	28
1814	10	9	B	4	6	Feb. 23	10	15	19	May 29	24	27
1815	11	20	A	2	Jan. 22	8	Mar. 26	Apr. 30	4	14	27	Dec. 3
1816	12	1	GF	5	Feb. 11	28	Apr. 14	May 19	23	June 2	24	1
1817	13	12	E	3	2	19	6	11	15	May 25	25	Nov. 30
1818	14	23	D	1	Jan. 18	4	Mar. 22	Apr. 26	Apr. 30	10	27	29
1819	15	4	C	4	Feb. 7	24	Apr. 11	May 16	May 20	30	24	28
1820	16	15	BA	3	Jan. 30	16	2	7	11	21	26	Dec. 3
1821	17	26	G	6	Feb. 18	Mar. 7	22	27	31	June 10	23	2
1822	18	7	F	3	3	Feb. 20	7	12	16	May 26	25	1
1823	19	18	E	2	Jan. 26	12	Mar. 30	4	8	18	26	Nov. 30
1824	1	0	DC	5	Feb. 15	Mar. 3	Apr. 18	23	27	June 6	23	28
1825	2	11	B	3	Jan. 30	Feb. 15	3	8	12	May 22	25	27
1826	3	22	A	2	22	8	Mar. 26	Apr. 30	4	14	27	Dec. 3
1827	4	3	G	5	Feb. 11	28	Apr. 15	May 20	24	June 3	24	2
1828	5	14	FE	3	3	20	6	11	15	May 25	25	Nov. 30
1829	6	25	D	5	15	Mar. 4	19	24	28	June 7	23	29
1830	7	6	C	4	7	Feb. 24	11	16	20	May 30	24	28
1831	8	17	B	3	Jan. 30	16	3	8	12	22	25	27
1832	9	28	AG	6	Feb. 19	Mar. 7	22	27	31	June 10	28	Dec. 2
1833	10	9	F	3	3	Feb. 20	7	12	16	May 26	25	1
1834	11	20	E	2	Jan. 26	12	Mar. 30	4	8	18	26	Nov. 30
1835	12	1	D	5	Feb. 15	Mar. 4	Apr. 19	24	28	June 7	23	29
1836	13	12	CB	3	Jan. 31	Feb. 17	3	8	12	May 22	25	27
1837	14	23	A	2	22	8	Mar. 26	Apr. 30	4	14	27	Dec. 3
1838	15	4	G	5	Feb. 11	28	Apr. 15	May 20	24	June 3	24	2
1839	16	15	F	2	Jan. 27	13	Mar. 31	5	9	May 19	26	1
1840	17	26	ED	5	Feb. 16	Mar. 4	Apr. 19	24	28	June 7	23	Nov. 29
1841	18	7	C	4	7	Feb. 24	11	16	20	May 30	24	28
1842	19	18	B	2	Jan. 23	9	Mar. 27	1	5	15	26	27
1843	1	0	A	5	Feb. 12	Mar. 1	Apr. 16	21	25	June 4	24	Dec. 3
1844	2	11	GF	4	4	Feb. 21	7	12	16	May 26	25	1
1845	3	22	E	1	Jan. 19	5	Mar. 23	Apr. 27	1	11	27	Nov. 30
1846	4	3	D	4	Feb. 8	25	Apr. 12	May 17	21	31	24	29
1847	5	14	C	3	Jan. 31	17	4	9	13	23	26	28
1848	6	25	BA	6	Feb. 20	Mar. 8	23	28	June 1	June 11	28	Dec. 3
1849	7	6	G	4	4	Feb. 21	8	13	May 17	May 27	25	2
1850	8	17	F	2	Jan. 27	13	Mar. 31	5	9	19	26	1
1851	9	28	E	5	Feb. 16	Mar. 5	Apr. 20	25	29	June 8	23	Nov. 30
1852	10	9	DC	4	8	Feb. 25	11	16	20	May 30	24	28
1853	11	20	B	2	Jan. 23	9	Mar. 27	1	5	15	26	27
1854	12	1	A	5	Feb. 12	Mar. 1	Apr. 16	21	25	June 4	24	Dec. 3
1855	13	12	G	4	4	Feb. 21	8	13	17	May 27	25	3

A TABLE *of the* MOVEABLE FEASTS, *according to the several Days that* EASTER *can possibly fall upon.*

Easter Day.	*Sundays after Epiphany*	*Septuagesima Sunday.*	*The First Day of Lent.*	*Rogation Sunday.*	*Ascension Day.*	*Whit Sunday.*	*Sundays after Trinity.*	*Advent Sunday.*
Mar. 22	1	Jan. 18	Feb. 4	Apr. 26	Apr. 30	May 10	27	Nov. 29
23	1	19	5	27	May 1	11	27	30
24	1	20	6	28	2	12	27	Dec. 1
25	2	21	7	29	3	13	27	2
26	2	22	8	30	4	14	27	3
27	2	23	9	May 1	5	15	26	Nov. 27
28	2	24	10	2	6	16	26	28
29	2	25	11	3	7	17	26	29
30	2	26	12	4	8	18	26	30
31	2	27	13	5	9	19	26	Dec. 1
Apr. 1	3	28	14	6	10	20	26	2
2	3	29	15	7	11	21	26	3
3	3	30	16	8	12	22	25	Nov. 27
4	3	31	17	9	13	23	25	28
5	3	Feb. 1	18	10	14	24	25	29
6	3	2	19	11	15	25	25	30
7	3	3	20	12	16	26	25	Dec. 1
8	4	4	21	13	17	27	25	2
9	4	5	22	14	18	28	25	3
10	4	6	23	15	19	29	24	Nov. 27
11	4	7	24	16	20	30	24	28
12	4	8	25	17	21	31	24	29
13	4	9	26	18	22	June 1	24	30
14	4	10	27	19	23	2	24	Dec. 1
15	5	11	28	20	24	3	24	2
16	5	12	Mar. 1	21	25	4	24	3
17	5	13	2	22	26	5	23	Nov. 27
18	5	14	3	23	27	6	23	28
19	5	15	4	24	28	7	23	29
20	5	16	5	25	29	8	23	30
21	5	17	6	26	30	9	23	Dec. 1
22	6	18	7	27	31	10	23	2
23	6	19	8	28	June 1	11	23	3
24	6	20	9	29	2	12	22	Nov. 27
25	6	21	10	30	3	13	22	28

Note, That in a Bissextile or Leap Year, the number of Sundays after Epiphany will be the same as if *Easter-Day* had fallen one day later than it really does. And for the same reason, one day must in every Leap Year be added to the day of the month given by the Table for *Septuagesima-Sunday*: and the like must be done for the First Day of *Lent*, commonly called *Ash-Wednesday*, unless the Table gives some day in the month of *March* for it; for in that case the day given by the Table is the right day.

TABLE *to find* EASTER *from the Year* 1900 *to* 2199 *inclusive.*

Col. N.	D. of Month.	S. Let.
XIV	March 22	D
III	23	E
	24	F
XI	25	G
	26	A
XIX	27	B
VIII	28	C
	29	D
XVI	30	E
V	31	F
	April 1	G
XIII	2	A
II	3	B
	4	C
X	5	D
	6	E
XVIII	7	F
VII	8	G
	9	A
XV	10	B
IV	11	C
	12	D
XII	13	E
I	14	F
	15	G
IX	16	A
XVII	17	B
VI	18	C
	19	D
	20	E
	21	F
	22	G
	23	A
	24	B
	25	C

THE Golden Numbers in the foregoing Calendar will point out the days of the Paschal Full Moons till the year of our Lord 1900; at which time, in order that the Ecclesiastical Full Moons may fall nearly on the same days with the real Full Moons, the Golden Numbers must be removed to different days of the Calendar, as is done in the annexed Table, which contains so much of the Calendar then to be used as is necessary for finding the Paschal Full Moons, and the Feast of *Easter* from the year 1900, to the year 2199 inclusive. This Table is to be made use of, in all respects, as the First Table before inserted for finding *Easter* till the year 1899.

General TABLES *for finding the* DOMINICAL *or* SUNDAY-LETTER, *and the Places of the* GOLDEN NUMBERS *in the Calendar.*

TABLE I.

6	5	4	3	2	1	0
B	C	D	E	F	G	A
				1600	1700	1800
1900 2000	2100	2200	2300 2400	2500	2600	2700 2800
2900	3000	3100 3200	3300	3400	3500 3600	3700
3800	3900 4000	4100	4200	4300 4400	4500	4600
4700 4800	4900	5000	5100 5200	5300	5400	5500 5600
5700	5800	5900 6000	6100	6200	6300 6400	6500
6600	6700 6800	6900	7000	7100 7200	7300	7400
7500 7600	7700	7800	7900 8000	8100	8200	8300 8400
8500	&c.					

TO find the Dominical or Sunday-Letter for any given year of our Lord, add to the year its fourth part, omitting fractions, and also the number, which in Table I. standeth at the top of the column, wherein the number of hundreds contained in that given year is found: divide the sum by 7; and if there is no remainder, then A is the Sunday-Letter: but if any number remaineth, then the letter which standeth under that number at the top of the Table is the Sunday-Letter.

TABLE II.

1	2	3	1	2	3
	Years of our Lord.			Years of our Lord.	
B	1600	0	B	5200	15
	1700	1		5300	16
	1800	1		5400	17
	1900	2		5500	17
B	2000	2	B	5600	17
	2100	2		5700	18
	2200	3		5800	18
	2300	4		5900	19
B	2400	3	B	6000	19
	2500	4		6100	19
	2600	5		6200	20
	2700	5		6300	21
B	2800	5	B	6400	20
	2900	6		6500	21
	3000	6		6600	22
	3100	7		6700	23
B	3200	7	B	6800	22
	3300	7		6900	23
	3400	8		7000	24
	3500	9		7100	24
B	3600	8	B	7200	24
	3700	9		7300	25
	3800	10		7400	25
	3900	10		7500	26
B	4000	10	B	7600	26
	4100	11		7700	26
	4200	12		7800	27
	4300	12		7900	28
B	4400	12	B	8000	27
	4500	13		8100	28
	4600	13		8200	29
	4700	14		8300	29
B	4800	14	B	8400	29
	4900	14		8500	0
	5000	15		&c.	
	5100	16			

TO find the Month and Days of the Month, to which the Golden Numbers ought to be prefixed in the Calendar in any given year of our Lord, consisting of entire hundred years, and in all the intermediate years, betwixt that and the next hundredth year following, look in the second column of Table II. for the given year, consisting of entire hundreds, and note the number or cipher which stands against it in the third column; then, in Table III, look for the same number in the column under any given Golden Number, which when you have found, guide your eye side-ways to the left hand, and in the first column you will find the Month and Day, to which that Golden Number ought to be prefixed in the Calendar during that period of one hundred years.

The letter B prefixed to certain hundredth years in Table II. denotes those years which are still to be accounted Bissextile or Leap-Years in the New Calendar; whereas all the other hundredth years are to be accounted only common years.

TABLE III.

Paschal Full Moon.	Sund. Let.	THE GOLDEN NUMBERS.																	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
March 21	C	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26
22	D	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27
23	E	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28
24	F	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29
25	G	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	25	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0
March 26	A	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1
27	B	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2
28	C	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3
29	D	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4
30	E	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5
March 31	F	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6
April 1	G	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7
2	A	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8
3	B	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9
4	C	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10
April 5	D	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11
6	E	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12
7	F	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13
8	G	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14
9	A	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15
April 10	B	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16
11	C	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17
12	D	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18
13	E	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19
14	F	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20
April 15	G	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21
16	A	4	15	26	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22
17	B	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23
17	B												7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24
18	C	6	17	28	9	20	1	12	23	4	15	26								
April 18	C	7	18	29	10	21	2	13	24	5	16	27	8	19	0	11	22	3	14	25

The ORDER *for* MORNING *and* EVENING PRAYER,

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

THE Morning and Evening Prayer shall be used in the accustomed place of the Church, Chapel, or Chancel; except it shall be otherwise determined by the Ordinary of the place. And the Chancels shall remain as they have done in times past.

And here is to be noted, That such ornaments of the Church, and of the Ministers thereof, at all times of their ministration, shall be retained, and be in use, as were in this Church of *England*, by the authority of Parliament, in the second year of the reign of King *Edward* the Sixth.

MORNING PRAYER.

At the beginning of Morning Prayer, the Minister shall read with a loud voice some one or more of these sentences of the Scriptures that follow; and then he shall say that which is written after the said sentences.

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. *Ezek.* xviii. 27.

I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. *Psalm* li. 3.

Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. *Psalm* li. 9.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psalm* li. 17.

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. *Joel* ii. 13.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him; neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us. *Dan.* ix. 9, 10.

O Lord, correct me, but with judgement: not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing. *Jer.* x. 24. *Psalm* vi. 1.

Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. *Matth.* iii. 2.

I will arise, and go to my father; and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *Luke* xv. 18, 19.

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *Psalm* cxliii. 2.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 *John* i. 8, 9.

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God, yet ought we most chiefly so to do when we assemble and meet together, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as

many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

A general Confession, to be said of the whole Congregation, after the Minister, all kneeling.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep: We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts: We have offended against thy holy laws: We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders: Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults: Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Absolution, or Remission of Sins, to be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing; the People still kneeling.

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live; and hath given power and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his holy Spirit; that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The People shall answer here, and at the end of all other Prayers, Amen.

Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer with an audible voice; the People also kneeling, and repeating it with him, both here and wheresoever else it is used in Divine Service.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Then likewise he shall say,

O Lord, open thou our lips;

Answ. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Priest. O God, make speed to save us.

Answ. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Here all standing up, the Priest shall say,

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

Answ. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. *Amen.*

Priest. Praise ye the Lord.

Answ. The Lord's Name be praised.

Then shall be said or sung this Psalm following, except on Easter-day, *upon which another Anthem is appointed; and on the Nineteenth Day of every Month it is not to be read here, but in the ordinary course of the Psalms.*

Psalm. cxv.

Venite, exultemus Domino.

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord : let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving : and shew ourselves glad in him with Psalms.

For the Lord is a great God : and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth : and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it : and his hand prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship, and fall down : and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God : and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts : as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;

When your fathers tempted me : proved me, and saw my works.

Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said : It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways.

Unto whom I sware in my wrath : that they should not enter into my rest.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

Then shall follow the Psalms in order as they are appointed: And at the end of every Psalm throughout the Year, and likewise at the end of Benedicite, Benedictus, Magnificat, *and* Nunc dimittis, *shall be repeated,*

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

Then shall be read distinctly, with an audible voice, the First Lesson, taken out of the Old Testament, as is appointed in the Calendar (except there be Proper Lessons assigned for that Day): he that readeth so standing, and turning himself, as he may best be heard of all such as are present. And after that, shall be said or sung, in English, *the Hymn called* Te Deum laudamus, *daily throughout the Year.*

Note, That before every Lesson the Minister shall say, Here beginneth such a Chapter, *or* Verse of such a Chapter, of such a Book: *And after every Lesson,* Here endeth the First, *or* the Second, Lesson.

Te Deum laudamus.

WE praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud : the Heavens, and all the Powers therein.

To thee Cherubin and Seraphin : continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the majesty : of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee;

The Father : of an infinite majesty;

Thine honourable, true : and only Son;

Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory : O Christ;

Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man : thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death : thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants : whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy saints : in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.

Govern them : and lift them up for ever.

Day by day : we magnify thee;

And we worship thy Name : ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

Or this Canticle:

Benedicite, omnia opera Domini.

O ALL ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Heavens, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Waters, that be above the firmament, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Sun and Moon, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Stars of Heaven, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Showers and Dew, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Winds of God, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Fire and Heat, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Winter and Summer, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Dews and Frosts, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Frost and Cold, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Ice and Snow, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Nights and Days, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Light and Darkness, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Lightnings and Clouds, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O let the Earth bless the Lord : yea, let it praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Mountains and Hills, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Green Things upon the Earth, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Wells, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Seas and Floods, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Whales, and all that move in the waters, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Beasts and Cattle, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Children of Men, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O let Israel bless the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Spirits and Souls of the Righteous, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye holy and humble Men of heart, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c

Then shall be read in like manner the Second Lesson, taken out of the New Testament. And after that the Hymn following; except when that shall happen to be read in the Chapter for the Day, or for the Gospel on Saint John Baptist's *Day.*

Benedictus. Luke i. 68.

BLESSED be the Lord God of Israel : for he hath visited and redeemed his people;

And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us : in the house of his servant David;

As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets : which have been since the world began;

That we should be saved from our enemies : and from the hand of all that hate us;

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers : and to remember his holy covenant;

To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham : that he would give us;

That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies : might serve him without fear,

In holiness and righteousness before him : all the days of our life.

And thou, Child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest : for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;

To give knowledge of salvation unto his people : for the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God : whereby the Day-

spring from on high hath visited us;

To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death: and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

Or this Psalm:

Jubilate Deo. Psalm C.

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves: we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

Then shall be sung or said the Apostles' Creed by the Minister and the People, standing: except only such Days as the Creed of Saint Athanasius *is appointed to be read.*

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of Sins; the Resurrection of the Body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

And after that, these Prayers following, all devoutly kneeling; the Minister first pronouncing with a loud voice,

The Lord be with you:

Answ. And with thy spirit.

Minister. Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Then the Minister, Clerks, and People, shall say the Lord's Prayer with a loud voice.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Then the Priest standing up, shall say,

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;

Answ. And grant us thy salvation.

Priest. O Lord, save the King;

Answ. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Priest. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

Answ. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Priest. O Lord, save thy people;

Answ. And bless thine inheritance.

Priest. Give peace in our time, O Lord;

Answ. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Priest. O God, make clean our hearts within us;

Answ. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Then shall follow three Collects; the first of the Day, which shall be the same that is appointed at the Communion; the second for Peace; the third for Grace to live well. And the two last Collects shall never alter, but daily be said at Morning Prayer throughout all the Year, as followeth; all kneeling.

The second Collect, for Peace.

O GOD, who art the author of peace, and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom; Defend us, thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The third Collect, for Grace.

O LORD our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In Choirs and Places where they sing, here followeth the Anthem.

Then these five Prayers following are to be read here, except when the Litany is read; and then only the two last are to be read, as thy are there placed.

A Prayer for the King's Majesty.

O LORD our heavenly Father, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, the only Ruler of Princes, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon earth; Most heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold our most gracious Sovereign Lord, King GEORGE; and so replenish him with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that he may alway incline to thy will, and walk in thy way: Endue him plenteously with heavenly gifts; grant him in health and wealth long to live; strengthen him, that he may vanquish and overcome all his enemies; and finally, after this life, he may attain everlasting joy and felicity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Royal Family.

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly beseech thee to bless all the Royal Family: Endue them with thy Holy Spirit; enrich them with thy heavenly grace; prosper them with all happiness; and bring them to thine everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Clergy and People.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who alone workest great marvels; Send down upon our Bishops and Curates, and all Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace: And that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing:

Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace, at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise, that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name, thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

2 Cor. xiii. 14.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

EVENING PRAYER.

At the beginning of Evening Prayer, the Minister shall read with a loud voice some one or more of these sentences of the Scriptures that follow; and then he shall say that which is written after the said sentences.

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. *Ezek.* xviii. 27.

I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. *Psalm* li. 3.

Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. *Psalm* li. 9.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psalm* li. 17.

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. *Joel* ii. 13.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him; neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us. *Dan.* ix. 9, 10.

O Lord, correct me, but with judgement: not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing. *Jer.* x. 24. *Psalm* vi. 1.

Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. *Matth.* iii. 2.

I will arise, and go to my father; and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *Luke* xv. 18, 19.

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *Psalm* cxliii. 2.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 *John* i. 8, 9.

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God, yet ought we most chiefly so to do when we assemble and meet together, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as

many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me:

A general Confession, to be said of the whole Congregation, after the Minister, all kneeling.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep: We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts: We have offended against thy holy laws: We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders: Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults: Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. **Amen.**

The Absolution, or Remission of Sins, to be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing; the People still kneeling.

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live; and hath given power and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his holy Spirit; that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer; the People also kneeling, and repeating it with him.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Then likewise he shall say,

O Lord, open thou our lips;

Answ. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Priest. O God, make speed to save us.

Answ. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Here all standing up, the Priest shall say,

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

Answ. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. *Amen.*

Priest. Praise ye the Lord.

Answ. The Lord's Name be praised.

Then shall be said or sung the Psalms in order, as they are appointed. Then a Lesson of the Old Testament, as is appointed; and after that Magnificat, *or the Song of the blessed Virgin* Mary, *in English, as followeth.*

Magnificat. Luke i. 46.

MY soul doth magnify the Lord : and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For, behold, from henceforth : all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm : he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things : and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy, hath holpen his servant Israel : as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

Or else this Psalm; except it be on the Nineteenth Day of the Month, when it is read in the ordinary course of the Psalms.

Cantate Domino. Psalm xcviii.

O SING unto the Lord a new song : for he hath done marvellous things.

With his own right hand, and with his holy arm : hath he gotten himself the victory.

The Lord declared his salvation : his righteousness hath he openly showed in the sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel : and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands : sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

Praise the Lord upon the harp : sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

With trumpets also and shawms : O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.

Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is : the round world, and they that dwell therein.

Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord : for he cometh to judge the earth.

With righteousness shall he judge the world : and the people with equity.

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As it was in the beginning, &c.

Then a Lesson of the New Testament, as it is appointed; and after that Nunc dimittis, *or the Song of* Simeon, *in English, as followeth.*

Nunc dimittis. Luke ii. 29

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace : according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation,

Which thou hast prepared : before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles : and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

Or else this Psalm; except it be on the Twelfth Day of the Month.

Deus misereatur. Psalm lxvii.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us;

That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

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The second Collect at Evening Prayer.

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

The third Collect, for Aid against all Perils.

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night, for the love of thy only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

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THE CREED OF ST. ATHANASIUS.

Upon these Feasts; Christmas-Day, *the* Epiphany, St. Matthias, Easter-Day, Ascension-Day, Whit-Sunday, St. John Baptist, St. James, St. Bartholomew, St. Matthew, St. Simon *and* St. Jude, St. Andrew, *and upon* Trinity-Sunday, *shall be sung or said at Morning Prayer, instead of the Apostles' Creed, this Confession of our Christian Faith, commonly called, The Creed of* St. Athanasius, *by the Minister and People, standing.*

Quicunque vult.

WHOSOEVER will be saved : before all things it is necessary that he hold the Catholic Faith.

Which Faith, except every one do keep whole and undefiled : without doubt he shall perish everlastingly.

And the Catholic Faith is this: That we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity;

Neither confounding the Persons : nor dividing the Substance.

For there is one Person of the Father, another of the Son : and another of the Holy Ghost.

But the Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, is all one : the Glory equal, the Majesty co-eternal.

Such as the Father is, such is the Son : and such is the Holy Ghost.

The Father uncreate, the Son uncreate : and the Holy Ghost uncreate.

The Father incomprehensible, the Son incomprehensible : and the Holy Ghost incomprehensible.

The Father eternal, the Son eternal : and the Holy Ghost eternal;

And yet they are not three eternals : but one eternal.

As also there are not three incomprehensibles, nor three uncreated : but one uncreated, and one incomprehensible.

So likewise the Father is Almighty, the Son Almighty : and the Holy Ghost Almighty;

And yet they are not three Almighties : but one Almighty.

So the Father is God, the Son is God : and the Holy Ghost is God;

And yet they are not three Gods : but one God.

So likewise the Father is Lord, the Son Lord : and the Holy Ghost Lord;

And yet not three Lords : but one Lord.

For like as we are compelled by the Christian verity : to acknowledge every Person by himself to be God and Lord;

So are we forbidden by the Catholic Religion : to say, There be three Gods, or three Lords.

The Father is made of none: neither created, nor begotten.

The Son is of the Father alone : not made, nor created, but begotten.

The Holy Ghost is of the Father, and of the Son : neither made, nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding.

So there is one Father, not

three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons : one Holy Ghost, not three Holy Ghosts.

And in this Trinity none is afore, or after other : none is greater, or less than another;

But the whole three Persons are co-eternal together : and co-equal.

So that in all things, as is aforesaid : the Unity in Trinity, and the Trinity in Unity, is to be worshipped.

He therefore that will be saved : must thus think of the Trinity.

Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting salvation : that he also believe rightly the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For the right Faith is, that we believe and confess : that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is God and Man;

God, of the Substance of the Father, begotten before the worlds : and Man, of the Substance of his Mother, born in the world;

Perfect God, and perfect Man: of a reasonable soul, and human flesh subsisting;

Equal to the Father, as touching his Godhead : and inferior to the Father, as touching his Manhood.

Who although he be God and Man : yet he is not two, but one Christ;

One; not by conversion of the Godhead into flesh : but by taking of the Manhood into God;

One altogether; not by confusion of Substance : but by unity of Person.

For as the reasonable soul and flesh is one man : so God and Man is one Christ;

Who suffered for our salvation : descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead;

He ascended into heaven; he sitteth on the right hand of the Father, God Almighty : from whence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

At whose coming all men shall rise again with their bodies: and shall give account for their own works.

And they that have done good, shall go into life everlasting : and they that have done evil, into everlasting fire.

This is the Catholic Faith: which except a man believe faithfully, he cannot be saved.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. *Amen.*

THE LITANY,

Or General Supplication, to be sung or said after Morning Prayer, upon Sundays, Wednesdays, *and* Fridays, *and at other times, when it shall be commanded by the Ordinary.*

O GOD the Father of heaven : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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O God the Son, Redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins : Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from sudden death,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and Commandment,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement,

Good Lord, deliver us.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy servant GEORGE, our most gracious King and Governor;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to rule his heart in thy faith, fear, and love; and that he may evermore have affiance in thee, and ever seek thy honour and glory;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to be his defender and keeper, giving him the victory over all his enemies;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and preserve all the Royal Family;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and shew it accordingly;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to endue the Lords of the Council, and all the Nobility, with grace, wisdom, and understanding;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep the Magistrates; giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all thy people increase of grace, to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand, and to comfort and help the weak-hearted, and to raise up them that fall, and finally to beat down Satan under our feet;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort, all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all that travel by land or by water, all women labouring of child, all sick persons [* *especially those for whom our prayers are desired*] and young children, and to shew thy pity upon all prisoners and captives;

* This to be said when any desire the prayers of the Congregation.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to defend and provide for the fatherless children, and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance, to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances, and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to thy holy Word;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God : we beseech thee to hear us.

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O Lamb of God : that takest away the sins of the world;

Grant us thy peace.

O Lamb of God : that takest away the sins of the world;

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us.

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Priest. O Lord, deal not with us after our sins:

Answ. Neither reward us after our iniquities.

Let us pray.

O GOD, merciful Father, that despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as be sorrowful; Mercifully assist our prayers that we make before thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils, which the craft and subtilty of the devil or man worketh against us be brought to nought, and by the providence of thy goodness they may be dispersed; that we thy servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto thee in thy holy Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

O GOD, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thine honour.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

From our enemies defend us, O Christ.

Graciously look upon our afflictions.

Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts.

Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

Favourably with mercy hear our prayers.

O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ.

Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

Priest. O Lord, let thy mercy be shewed upon us;

Answ. As we do put our trust in thee.

Let us pray.

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of thy Name turn from us all those evils that we most righteously have deserved, and grant, that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory, through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace, at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise, that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name, thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

2 Cor. xiii. 14.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS

UPON SEVERAL OCCASIONS;

TO BE USED BEFORE THE TWO FINAL PRAYERS OF THE LITANY, OR OF MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER.

PRAYERS.

For Rain.

O GOD, heavenly Father, who by thy Son Jesus Christ hast promised to all them that seek thy kingdom, and the righteousness thereof, all things necessary to their bodily sustenance; Send us, we beseech thee, in this our necessity, such moderate rain and showers, that we may receive the fruits of the earth to our comfort, and to thy honour, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Fair Weather.

O ALMIGHTY Lord God, who for the sin of man didst once drown all the world,

except eight persons, and afterward of thy great mercy didst promise never to destroy it so again; We humbly beseech thee, that, although we for our iniquities have worthily deserved a plague of rain and waters, yet upon our true repentance thou wilt send us such weather, as that we may receive the fruits of the earth in due season; and learn both by thy punishment to amend our lives, and for thy clemency to give thee praise and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the time of Dearth and Famine.

O GOD, heavenly Father, whose gift it is, that the rain doth fall, the earth is fruitful, beasts increase, and fishes do multiply; Behold, we beseech thee, the afflictions of thy people; and grant that the scarcity and dearth, which we do now most justly suffer for our iniquity, may through thy goodness be mercifully turned into cheapness and plenty, for the love of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with thee, and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory now and for ever. *Amen.*

Or this:

O GOD, merciful Father, who in the time of Elisha the prophet didst suddenly in Samaria turn great scarcity and dearth into plenty and cheapness; Have mercy upon us, that we, who are now for our sins punished with like adversity, may likewise find a seasonable relief: Increase the fruits of the earth by thy heavenly benediction; and grant that we, receiving thy bountiful liberality, may use the same to thy glory, the relief of those that are needy, and our own comfort, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the time of War and Tumults.

O ALMIGHTY God, King of all kings, and Governor of all things, whose power no creature is able to resist, to whom it belongeth justly to punish sinners, and to be merciful to them that truly repent; Save and deliver us, we humbly beseech thee, from the hands of our enemies; abate their pride, asswage their malice, and confound their devices; that we, being armed with thy defence, may be preserved evermore from all perils, to glorify thee, who art the only giver of all victory, through the merits of thy only Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the time of any common Plague or Sickness.

O ALMIGHTY God, who in thy wrath didst send a plague upon thine own people in the wilderness, for their obstinate rebellion against Moses and Aaron; and also, in the time of king David, didst slay with the plague of Pestilence threescore and ten thousand; and yet, remembering thy mercy, didst save the rest; Have pity upon us miserable sinners, who now are visited with great sickness and mortality; that like as thou didst then accept of an atonement, and didst command the destroying angel to cease from punishing, so it may now please thee to withdraw from us this plague and grievous sickness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the Ember Weeks, to be said every Day, for those that are to be admitted into Holy Orders.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hast purchased to thyself an universal Church by the precious blood of

thy dear Son; Mercifully look upon the same, and at this time so guide and govern the minds of thy servants, the Bishops and Pastors of thy flock, that they may lay hands suddenly on no man, but faithfully and wisely make choice of fit persons to serve in the sacred Ministry of thy Church. And to those which shall be ordained to any holy function, give thy grace and heavenly benediction; that both by their life and doctrine they may set forth thy glory, and set forward the salvation of all men, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this:

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of all good gifts, who of thy divine providence hast appointed divine Orders in thy Church; Give thy grace, we humbly beseech thee, to all those who are to be called to any office and administration in the same; and so replenish them with the truth of thy doctrine, and endue them with innocency of life, that they may faithfully serve before thee, to the glory of thy great Name, and the benefit of thy holy Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the High Court of Parliament, to be read during their Session.

MOST gracious God, we humbly beseech thee, as for this kingdom in general, so especially for the High Court of Parliament, under our most religious and gracious King at this time assembled: That thou wouldest be pleased to direct and prosper all their consultations, to the advancement of thy glory, the good of thy Church, the safety, honour, and welfare of our Sovereign and his dominions; that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavours, upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for all generations. These and all other necessaries, for them, for us, and thy whole Church, we humbly beg in the Name and Mediation of Jesus Christ our most blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

A Collect or Prayer for all conditions of Men, to be used at such times when the Litany is not appointed to be said.

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men, that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all Nations. More especially we pray for the good estate of the Catholic Church; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted or distressed in mind, body, or estate, [* *especially those for whom our prayers are desired*]; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions: And this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. *Amen.*

* This to be said when any desire the prayers of the Congregation.

A Prayer that may be said after any of the former.

O GOD, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive, receive our humble petitions; and though we be tied and bound with the chain of our sins, yet let the pitifulness of thy great mercy loose us, for the honour of Jesus Christ our Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVINGS.

A general Thanksgiving.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men,

* This to be said when any that have been prayed for desire to return praise.

[* *particularly to those who desire now to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for thy late mercies vouchsafed unto them*]. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we may shew forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

For Rain.

O GOD our heavenly Father, who by thy gracious providence dost cause the former and the latter rain to descend upon the earth, that it may bring forth fruit for the use of man; We give thee humble thanks that it hath pleased thee, in our great necessity, to send us at the last a joyful rain upon thine inheritance, and to refresh it when it was dry, to the great comfort of us thy unworthy servants, and to the glory of thy holy Name through thy mercies in Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Fair Weather.

O LORD God, who hast justly humbled us by thy late plague of immoderate rain and waters, and in thy mercy hast relieved and comforted our souls by this seasonable and blessed change of weather; We praise and glorify thy holy Name for this thy mercy, and will always declare thy loving-kindness from generation to generation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Plenty.

O MOST merciful Father, who of thy gracious goodness hast heard the devout prayers of thy Church, and turned our dearth and scarcity into cheapness and plenty; We give thee humble thanks for this thy special bounty; beseeching thee to continue thy loving-kindness unto us, that our land may yield us her fruits of increase,

to thy glory and our comfort, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Peace and Deliverance from our Enemies.

O ALMIGHTY God, who art a strong tower of defence unto thy servants against the face of their enemies; We yield thee praise and thanksgiving for our deliverance from those great and apparent dangers wherewith we were compassed. We acknowledge it thy goodness that we were not delivered over as a prey unto them; beseeching thee still to continue such thy mercies towards us, that all the world may know that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For restoring Public Peace at Home.

O ETERNAL God, our heavenly Father, who alone makest men to be of one mind in a house, and stillest the outrage of a violent and unruly people; We bless thy holy Name that it hath pleased thee to appease the seditious tumults which have been lately raised up amongst us; most humbly beseeching thee to grant to all of us grace, that we may henceforth obediently walk in thy holy commandments; and leading a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty, may continually offer unto thee our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for these thy mercies towards us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Deliverance from the Plague, or other common Sickness.

O LORD God, who hast wounded us for our sins, and consumed us for our transgressions by thy late heavy and dreadful visitation; and now in the midst of judgement remembering mercy, hast redeemed our souls from the jaws of death; We offer unto thy fatherly goodness ourselves, our souls and bodies, which thou hast delivered, to be a living sacrifice unto thee, always praising and magnifying thy mercies in the midst of thy Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this:

WE humbly acknowledge before thee, O most merciful Father, that all the punishments which are threatened in thy law might justly have fallen upon us, by reason of our manifold transgressions and hardness of heart. Yet seeing it hath pleased thee of thy tender mercy, upon our weak and unworthy humiliation, to asswage the contagious sickness wherewith we lately have been sore afflicted, and to restore the voice of joy and health into our dwellings; We offer unto thy divine Majesty the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, lauding and magnifying thy glorious Name for such thy preservation and providence over us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Note, *that the* COLLECT *appointed for every* SUNDAY, *or for any* HOLY-DAY *that hath a Vigil or Eve, shall be said at the* EVENING SERVICE *next before.*

The First Sunday in Advent.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. *Amen.*

[*This Collect is to be repeated every Day, with the other Collects in Advent, until Christmas Eve.*]

The Epistle. Rom. xiii. 8.

OWE no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

The Gospel. Matt. xxi. 1.

WHEN they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the Mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples, saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto me. And if any man say ought unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them. All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass. And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them, and brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set him thereon. And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed them in the way. And the multitudes that went before, and that fol-

lowed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord; Hosanna in the Highest! And when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, Who is this? And the multitude said, This is Jesus, the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee. And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the money-changers, and the seats of them that sold doves; and said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.

Second Sunday in Advent.

The Collect.

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that by patience, and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. xv. 4.

WHATSOEVER things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be like-minded one toward another, according to Christ Jesus; that ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us, to the glory of God. Now I say that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers; And that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy; as it is written, For this cause I will confess to thee among the Gentiles, and sing unto thy Name. And again he saith, Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with his people. And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles; and laud him, all ye people. And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles trust. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

The Gospel. Luke xxi. 25.

AND there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. And he spake to them a parable; Behold, the fig-tree, and all the trees; when they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.

Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away till all be fulfilled. Heaven and earth shall pass away; but my words shall not pass away.

Third Sunday in Advent.

The Collect.

O LORD Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee; Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; that at thy second coming to judge the world, we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Cor. iv. 1.

LET a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgement; yea, I judge not mine own self: for I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

The Gospel. Matt. xi. 2.

NOW when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the Gospel preached to them. And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me. And, as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? a reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? a man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. But what went ye out for to see? a prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

Fourth Sunday in Advent.

The Collect.

O LORD, raise up (we pray thee) thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us, through the satisfaction of thy Son our Lord; to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Phil. iv. 4.

REJOICE in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known

unto all men: The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in every thing by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God: And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

The Gospel. John i. 19.

THIS is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias. And they which were sent were of the Pharisees. And they asked him, and said unto him, Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that Christ, nor Elias, neither that prophet? John answered them, saying, I baptize with water: but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not; He it is, who, coming after me, is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose. These things were done in Bethabara, beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing.

THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST, *called* CHRISTMAS DAY.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin; Grant that we, being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit, through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Heb. i. 1.

GOD, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high, being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son? And again, when he bringeth in the first-begotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him. And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom: Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands: They shall perish, but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old, as doth a garment; and as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

The Gospel. John i. 1.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

The Collect.

GRANT, O Lord, that in all our sufferings here upon earth, for the testimony of thy truth, we may stedfastly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that shall be revealed; and being filled with the Holy Ghost, may learn to love and bless our persecutors, by the example of thy first Martyr, Saint Stephen, who prayed for his murderers to thee, O blessed Jesus, who standest at the right hand of God to succour all those that suffer for thee, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

[*Then shall follow the Collect of the Nativity; which shall be said continually until New-Year's Eve.*]

For the Epistle. Acts vii. 55.

STEPHEN, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, and said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God. Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord, and cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul. And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge! And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

The Gospel. Matt. xxiii. 34.

BEHOLD, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and some of them ye shall kill and crucify; and

some of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city: that upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation. O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Saint John the Evangelist's Day.

The Collect.

MERCIFUL Lord, we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy Church, that it being enlightened by the doctrine of thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist Saint John, may so walk in the light of thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 John i. 1.

THAT which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life; (for the Life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal Life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;) that which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full. This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, That God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

The Gospel. John xxi. 19.

JESUS said unto Peter, Follow me. Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following, which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee? Peter seeing him, saith to Jesus, Lord, and what shall this man do? Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? follow thou me. Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, That that disciple should not die: yet Jesus said not unto him, He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee?

This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things: and we know that his testimony is true. And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written.

The Innocents' Day.

The Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify thee by their deaths; Mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify thy holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Rev. xiv. 1.

I LOOKED, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: and they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the first-fruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.

The Gospel. Matt. ii. 13.

THE angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child, and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. When he arose, he took the young child, and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt: and was there until the death of Herod, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my Son. Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently inquired of the wise men. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning; Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

Sunday after Christmas Day.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin; Grant that we being regenerate,

and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit, through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Gal. iv. 1.

NOW I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all; but is under tutors and governors, until the time appointed of the father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world: But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

The Gospel. Matt. i. 18.

THE birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife; for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel; which being interpreted, is, God with us. Then Joseph, being raised from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: and knew her not till she had brought forth her first-born son: and he called his name JESUS.

The Circumcision of Christ.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who madest thy blessed Son to be circumcised, and obedient to the law for man; Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit, that our hearts and all our members being mortified from all worldly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey thy blessed will, through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. iv. 8.

BLESSED is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin. Cometh this blessedness then upon the circumcision only, or upon the uncircumcision also? for we say that faith was reckoned to Abraham for righteousness. How was it then reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision. And he received the sign of circumcision; a seal of the righteousness of

the faith which he had, yet being uncircumcised; that he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also: and the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which he had, being yet uncircumcised. For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect.

The Gospel. Luke ii. 15.

AND it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them. And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

[*The same Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, shall serve for every Day after unto the Epiphany.*]

THE EPIPHANY, *or the Manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles.*

The Collect.

O GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles; Mercifully grant, that we, which know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Ephes. iii. 1.

FOR this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles; if ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God, which is given me to you-ward: how that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ,) which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; That the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the Gospel; whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power. Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; and to make all men see, what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the

beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: to the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known, by the Church, the manifold wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: in whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

The Gospel. Matt. ii. 1.

WHEN Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judea: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem; and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed: and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

First Sunday after the Epiphany.

The Collect.

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. xii. 1.

I BESEECH you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God. For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. For as we

have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office; so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

The Gospel. Luke ii. 41.

NOW his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him. And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers. And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business? And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them. And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

Second Sunday after the Epiphany.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth; Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and grant us thy peace all the days of our life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. xii. 6.

HAVING then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; or ministry, let us wait on our ministering; or he that teacheth, on teaching; or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another; not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate.

The Gospel. John ii. 1.

AND the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there: and both Jesus was called and his disciples to the

marriage. And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come. His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it. And there were set there six water-pots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece. Jesus saith unto them, Fill the water-pots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was, (but the servants which drew the water knew,) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom, and saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

Third Sunday after the Epiphany.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. xii. 16.

BE not wise in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves; but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Gospel. Matt. viii. 1.

WHEN he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean: And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus saith unto him, See thou tell no man; but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded for a testimony unto them. And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him, and saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. When Jesus heard

it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven: But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the self-same hour.

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany.

The Collect.

O GOD, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. xiii. 1.

LET every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? Do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: for he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. For, for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing. Render therefore to all their dues; tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.

The Gospel. Matt. viii. 23.

AND when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him. And, behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep. And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish. And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm. But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him? And when he was come to the other side, into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time? And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding. So the devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine. And he said unto them, Go. And when they were

come out, they went into the herd of swine: and, behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters: And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing, and what was befallen to the possessed of the devils. And, behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, they besought him that he would depart out of their coasts.

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany.

The Collect.

O LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace, may evermore be defended by thy mighty power, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Col. iii. 12.

PUT on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

The Gospel. Matt. xiii. 24.

THE kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest, while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany.

The Collect.

O GOD, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life; Grant us, we beseech thee, that having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure; that when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 John iii. 1.

BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God! therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God; and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope in him, purifieth himself even as he is pure. Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth, hath not seen him, neither known him. Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness, is righteous even as he is righteous. He that committeth sin, is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

The Gospel. Matt. xxiv. 23.

THEN if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: Behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: and then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet; and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY, *or the Third Sunday before Lent.*

The Collect.

O LORD, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name, through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Cor. ix. 24.

KNOW ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight

I, not as one that beateth the air: but I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection; lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a cast-away.

The Gospel. Matt. xx. 1.

THE kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard. And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a-day, he sent them into his vineyard. And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the market-place, and said unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, I will give you. And they went their way. Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise. And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle? They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive. So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the labourers, and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first. And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny. But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny. And when they had received it, they murmured against the good man of the house, saying, These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day. But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny? Take that thine is, and go thy way: I will give unto this last even as unto thee. Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil because I am good? So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.

SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY, *or the Second Sunday before Lent.*

The Collect.

O LORD God, who seest that we put not our trust in any thing that we do; Mercifully grant, that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 2 Cor. xi. 19.

YE suffer fools gladly, seeing ye yourselves are wise. For ye suffer, if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face. I speak as concerning reproach, as though we had been weak. Howbeit whereinsoever any is bold, (I speak foolishly,) I am bold also. Are they Hebrews? so am I. Are they Israelites? so am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I. Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I am more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft. Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one. Thrice was I beaten

with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; in weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not? If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities. The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not.

The Gospel. Luke viii. 4.

WHEN much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, he spake by a parable: A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way-side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it. And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it. And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be? And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the way-side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground are they, which, in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY, *or the Sunday next before Lent.*

The Collect.

O LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth; Send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace, and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Cor. xiii. 1.

THOUGH I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And

though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part; but when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

The Gospel. Luke xviii. 31.

THEN Jesus took unto him the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished. For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on: and they shall scourge him, and put him to death: and the third day he shall rise again. And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken. And it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way side begging: and hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant. And they told him that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by. And he cried, saying, Jesus, thou son of David, have mercy on me. And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried so much the more, Thou son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him, saying, What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight. And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee. And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God.

The First Day of Lent, *called Ash-Wednesday.*

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our

wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

[*This Collect is to be read every Day in Lent, after the Collect appointed for the Day.*]

For the Epistle. Joel ii. 12.

TURN ye even to me, saith the Lord, with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. Who knoweth if he will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind him; even a meat-offering, and a drink-offering, unto the Lord your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly; gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet: Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?

The Gospel. Matt. vi. 16.

WHEN ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face; that thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly. Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

First Sunday in Lent.

The Collect.

O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights; Give us grace to use such abstinence, that our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 2 Cor. vi. 1.

WE then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.) Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed: but in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings; by pureness, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by kindness, by

the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; as sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

The Gospel. Matt. iv. 1.

THEN was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness, to be tempted of the devil. And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungered. And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, and saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.

Second Sunday in Lent.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Thess. iv. 1.

WE beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound more and more. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication: that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God: that no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter; because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.

The Gospel. Matt. xv. 21.

JESUS went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou Son of David! my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us. But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me! But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

Third Sunday in Lent.

The Collect.

WE beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty to be our defence against all our enemies, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Ephes. v. 1.

BE ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient; but rather giving of thanks. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye, therefore, partakers with them: for ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light; (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;) proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. But all things that are reproved are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

The Gospel. Luke xi. 14.

JESUS was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered. But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils. And others, tempting him, sought of him a sign from heaven. But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house divided against a house, falleth. If Satan

also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your judges. But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you. When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace: but when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils. He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me, scattereth. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out. And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth he, and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked. But he said, Yea, rather blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

Fourth Sunday in Lent.

The Collect.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Gal. iv. 21.

TELL me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? For it is written, That Abraham had two sons; the one by a bond-maid, the other by a free woman. But he who was of the bond-woman was born after the flesh; but he of the free woman was by promise. Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all. For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not; for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband. Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. But as then he that was born after the flesh, persecuted him that was born after the Spirit, even so it is now. Nevertheless what saith the Scripture? Cast out the bond-woman and her son: for the son of the bond-woman shall not be heir with the son of the free woman. So then, brethren, we are not children of the bond-woman, but of the free.

The Gospel. John vi. 1.

JESUS went over the sea of Galilee, which is the sea of Tiberias. And a great multitude followed him, because they saw his miracles which he did on them that were diseased. And Jesus went up into a mountain,

and there he sat with his disciples. And the passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh. When Jesus then lifted up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do. Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley-loaves and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves: and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley-loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world.

Fifth Sunday in Lent.

The Collect.

WE beseech thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon thy people; that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Heb. ix. 11.

CHRIST being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood, he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh; how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works, to serve the living God? And for this cause he is the Mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called, might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

The Gospel. John viii. 46.

JESUS said, Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me? He that is of God, heareth God's words; ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God. Then answered the Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil? Jesus answered, I have not a devil: but I honour my Father, and ye do dishonour me. And I seek not mine own glory: there is one that seeketh and judgeth. Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death. Then said the Jews

KING OF THE JEWS. Then were there two thieves crucified with him; one on the right hand, and another on the left. And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads, and saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself. If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross. Likewise also the chief priests mocking him, with the scribes and elders, said, He saved others, himself he cannot save. If he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God. The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth. Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, *Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?* that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias. And straightway one of them ran, and took a spunge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him. Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept, arose, and came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. Now when the centurion, and they that were with him watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

Monday before Easter.

For the Epistle. Isaiah lxiii. 1.

WHO is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save. Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the wine-fat? I have trodden the wine-press alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment. For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come. And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me; and my fury, it upheld me. And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth. I will mention the loving-kindnesses of the Lord, and the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the house of Israel, which he hath bestowed on them according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his loving-kindnesses. For he said, Surely they are my people, children that will not lie: so he was

their Saviour. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old. But they rebelled, and vexed his holy Spirit: therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them. Then he remembered the days of old, Moses and his people, saying, Where is he that brought them up out of the sea with the shepherd of his flock? Where is he that put his holy Spirit within him? that led them by the right hand of Moses with his glorious arm, dividing the water before them, to make himself an everlasting name? that led them through the deep, as an horse in the wilderness, that they should not stumble? As a beast goeth down into the valley, the Spirit of the Lord caused him to rest; so didst thou lead thy people, to make thyself a glorious name. Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of thy holiness and of thy glory: Where is thy zeal and thy strength, the sounding of thy bowels and of thy mercies toward me? are they restrained? Doubtless thou art our Father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: thou, O Lord, art our Father, our Redeemer; thy name is from everlasting. O Lord, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways, and hardened our heart from thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine inheritance. The people of thy holiness have possessed it but a little while: our adversaries have trodden down thy sanctuary. We are thine: thou never barest rule over them; they were not called by thy name.

The Gospel. Mark xiv. 1.

AFTER two days was the feast of the passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put him to death. But they said, Not on the feast-day, lest there be an uproar of the people. And being in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster-box of ointment of spikenard, very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on his head. And there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said, Why was this waste of the ointment made? for it might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor. And they murmured against her. And Jesus said, Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me. For ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good: but me ye have not always. She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying. Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her. And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priests, to betray him unto them. And when they heard it, they were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might conveniently betray him. And the first day of unleavened bread, when they

killed the passover, his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and prepare, that thou mayest eat the passover? And he sendeth forth two of his disciples, and saith unto them, Go ye into the city, and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water: follow him. And wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the good man of the house, The Master saith, Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples? And he will shew you a large upper room furnished and prepared: there make ready for us. And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. And in the evening he cometh with the twelve. And as they sat and did eat, Jesus said, Verily I say unto you, One of you which eateth with me shall betray me. And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto him one by one, Is it I? and another said, Is it I? And he answered and said unto them, It is one of the twelve, that dippeth with me in the dish. The Son of man indeed goeth, as it is written of him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! good were it for that man if he had never been born. And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them: and they all drank of it. And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many. Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God. And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives. And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered. But after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee. But Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet will not I. And Jesus saith unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this day, even in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. But he spake the more vehemently, If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all. And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray. And he taketh with him Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy; and saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death: tarry ye here, and watch. And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt. And he cometh, and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? couldest not thou watch one hour? watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak. And again he went away, and prayed, and spake the same words. And when he returned, he found them asleep

again: for their eyes were heavy: neither wist they what to answer him. And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: it is enough, the hour is come: behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth me is at hand. And immediately, while he yet spake, cometh Judas, one of the twelve, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. And he that betrayed him had given them a token, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he: take him, and lead him away safely. And as soon as he was come, he goeth straightway to him, and saith, Master, master; and kissed him. And they laid their hands on him, and took him. And one of them that stood by drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear. And Jesus answered and said unto them, Are ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and with staves to take me? I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and ye took me not: but the Scriptures must be fulfilled. And they all forsook him, and fled. And there followed him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about his naked body; and the young men laid hold on him: and he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked. And they led Jesus away to the high priest: and with him were assembled all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes. And Peter followed him afar off, even into the palace of the high priest: and he sat with the servants, and warmed himself at the fire. And the chief priests and all the council sought for witness against Jesus to put him to death; and found none. For many bare false witness against him, but their witness agreed not together. And there arose certain, and bare false witness against him, saying, We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands. But neither so did their witness agree together. And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Answerest thou nothing? what is it which these witness against thee? But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? And Jesus said, I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses? ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned him to be guilty of death. And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to say unto him, Prophesy: and the servants did strike him with the palms of their hands. And as Peter was beneath in the palace, there cometh one of the maids of the high priest: and when she saw Peter warming himself, she looked upon him, and said, And thou also wast with Jesus of Nazareth. But he denied, saying, I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest. And he went out into the porch; and the cock crew. And a maid saw him again, and began to

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say to them that stood by, This is one of them. And he denied it again. And a little after, they that stood by said again to Peter, Surely thou art one of them: for thou art a Galilean, and thy speech agreeth thereto. But he began to curse and to swear, saying, I know not this man of whom ye speak. And the second time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice thou shalt deny me thrice. And when he thought thereon, he wept.

Tuesday before Easter.

For the Epistle. Isaiah l. 5.

THE Lord God hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back. I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord God will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed. He is near that justifieth me; who will contend with me? let us stand together: who is mine adversary? let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord God will help me; who is he that shall condemn me? lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up. Who is among you that feareth the Lord, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the name of the Lord, and stay upon his God. Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass yourselves about with sparks; walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks that ye have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand, ye shall lie down in sorrow.

The Gospel. Mark xv. 1.

AND straightway in the morning the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council, and bound Jesus, and carried him away, and delivered him to Pilate. And Pilate asked him, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answering said unto him, Thou sayest it. And the chief priests accused him of many things; but he answered nothing. And Pilate asked him again, saying, Answerest thou nothing? behold how many things they witness against thee. But Jesus yet answered nothing; so that Pilate marvelled. Now at that feast he released unto them one prisoner, whomsoever they desired. And there was one, named Barabbas, which lay bound with them that had made insurrection with him, who had committed murder in the insurrection. And the multitude, crying aloud, began to desire him to do as he had ever done unto them. But Pilate answered them, saying, Will ye that I release unto you the King of the Jews? for he knew that the chief priests had delivered him for envy. But the chief priests moved the people, that he should rather release Barabbas unto them. And Pilate answered and said again unto them, What will ye then that I shall do unto him whom ye call the King of the Jews? And they cried out again, Crucify him. Then Pilate said unto them, Why, what evil hath he done? And they cried out the more exceedingly, Crucify him. And so Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas

unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged him, to be crucified. And the soldiers led him away into the hall called Pretorium; and they call together the whole band. And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head; and began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews! And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and, bowing their knees, worshipped him. And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him. And they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear his cross. And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a scull. And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh: but he received it not. And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take. And it was the third hour; and they crucified him. And the superscription of his accusation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS. And with him they crucify two thieves; the one on his right hand, and the other on his left. And the Scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgressors. And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself, and come down from the cross. Likewise also the chief priests, mocking, said among themselves with the scribes, He saved others; himself he cannot save. Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him. And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, *Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?* which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? And some of them that stood by, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calleth Elias. And one ran and filled a spunge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take him down. And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost. And the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom. And when the centurion, which stood over against him, saw that he so cried out, and gave up the ghost, he said, Truly this man was the Son of God.

Wednesday before Easter.

The Epistle. Hebrews ix. 16.

WHERE a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator. For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth. Whereupon neither the first testament was dedicated without blood. For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book and all the people, saying, This is the blood of the

testament which God hath enjoined unto you. Moreover, he sprinkled likewise with blood both the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry. And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us: Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others; for then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once, in the end of the world hath he appeared, to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgement; so Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time, without sin, unto salvation.

The Gospel. Luke xxii. 1.

NOW the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover. And the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill him; for they feared the people. Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve. And he went his way, and communed with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray him unto them. And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money. And he promised, and sought opportunity to betray him unto them in the absence of the multitude. Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed. And he sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat. And they said unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare? And he said unto them, Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water: follow him into the house where he entereth in. And ye shall say unto the good man of the house, The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples? And he shall shew you a large upper room furnished: there make ready. And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him. And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: for I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide it among yourselves: for I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come. And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you. But, behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me is with me on the

table. And truly the Son of man goeth as it was determined: but woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed! And they began to inquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing. And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called Benefactors. But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations: And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: but I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren. And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison and to death. And he said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me. And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing. Then said he unto them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise his scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment and buy one. For I say unto you, That this that is written must yet be accomplished in me, And he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things concerning me have an end. And they said, Lord, behold, here are two swords. And he said unto them, It is enough. And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him. And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that ye enter not into temptation. And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed, saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony, he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow, and said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. And while he yet spake, behold a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near unto Jesus to kiss him. But Jesus said unto him, Judas, betrayest thou the Son of man with a kiss? When they which were about him saw what would follow, they said unto him, Lord, shall we smite with the sword? And one of them smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear. And Jesus answered and said, Suffer ye thus far. And he touched his ear,

and healed him. Then Jesus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders, which were come to him, Be ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and staves? When I was daily with you in the temple ye stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness Then took they him, and led him, and brought him into the high priest's house. And Peter followed afar off. And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them. But a certain maid beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with him. And he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not. And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not. And about the space of one hour after, another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this fellow also was with him; for he is a Galilean. And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And Peter went out, and wept bitterly. And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote him. And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is it that smote thee? And many other things blasphemously spake they against him. And as soon as it was day, the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes came together, and led him into their council, saying, Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe: and if I also ask you, ye will not answer me, nor let me go. Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God. Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, Ye say that I am. And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.

Thursday before Easter.

The Epistle. 1 Cor. xi. 17.

IN this that I declare unto you I praise you not, that ye come together not for the better, but for the worse. For first of all, when ye come together in the Church, I hear that there be divisions among you; and I partly believe it. For there must be also heresies among you, that they which are approved may be made manifest among you. When ye come together therefore into one place, this is not to eat the Lord's supper. For in eating, every one taketh before other his own supper: and one is hungry, and another is drunken. What! have ye not houses to eat and to drink in? or despise ye the Church of God, and shame them that have not? What shall I say to you? shall I praise you in this? I praise you not. For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread: and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said,

Take, eat; this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. Wherefore, whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world. Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another. And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.

The Gospel. Luke xxiii. 1.

THE whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate. And they began to accuse him, saying, We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Cesar, saying that he himself is Christ a King. And Pilate asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answered him, and said, Thou sayest it. Then said Pilate to the chief priests and to the people, I find no fault in this man. And they were the more fierce, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place. When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilean. And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time. And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long season, because he had heard many things of him: and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him. Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing. And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him. And Herod with his men of war set him at nought, and mocked him, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate. And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before they were at enmity between themselves. And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, said unto them, Ye have brought this man unto me as one that perverteth the people; and, behold, I, having examined him before you, have found no fault in this man, touching those things whereof ye accuse him: No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him: and, lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto him. I will therefore chastise him, and release him. (For of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast.) And they cried out all at once, saying, Away with this man, and release unto us Barabbas: (who for a

certain sedition made in the city, and for murder, was cast into prison.) Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them. But they cried, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let him go. And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed. And Pilate gave sentence, that it should be as they required. And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will. And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus. And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him. But Jesus turning unto them, said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck. Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us. For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry? And there were also two others, malefactors, led with him to be put to death. And when they were come to the place which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors; one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots. And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God. And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar, and saying, If thou be the King of the Jews, save thyself. And a superscription also was written over him, in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us. But the other answering, rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss. And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To-day shalt thou be with me in paradise. And it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst. And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit; and having said thus, he gave up the ghost. Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man. And all the people that came together to that sight,

beholding the things which were done, smote their breasts, and returned. And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things.

GOOD FRIDAY.

The Collects.

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O MERCIFUL God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor wouldest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted, and live; Have mercy upon all Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Hereticks; and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Heb. x. 1.

THE law, having a shadow of good things to come and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect. For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins. But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year. For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. Wherefore, when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: In burnt-offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure: Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me) to do thy will, O God. Above, when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt-offerings, and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law; Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified, through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. And every priest standeth daily ministering, and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins: But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins, for ever sat down on the right hand of God; from henceforth expecting till his enemies

be made his footstool. For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: For after that he had said before, This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; and their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; and having an high priest over the house of God; let us draw near with a true heart, in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) and let us consider one another, to provoke unto love and to good works: not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more as ye see the day approaching.

The Gospel. John xix. 1.

PILATE therefore took Jesus, and scourged him. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and they put on him a purple robe, and said, Hail, King of the Jews! And they smote him with their hands. Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him. Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man! When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him and crucify him; for I find no fault in him. The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid; and went again into the judgement-hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer. Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee? Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin. And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Cesar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Cesar. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgement-seat, in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King! But they cried out, Away with him, away with him; crucify him! Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Cesar. Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be cruci-

fied. And they took Jesus, and led him away. And he, bearing his cross, went forth into a place, called The place of a scull, which is called in the Hebrew, Golgotha; where they crucified him, and two others with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst. And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS. This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin. Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews. Pilate answered, What I have written, I have written. Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout: They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the Scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son! Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home. After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst. Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a spunge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth. When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost. The Jews therefore, because it was the Preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath-day, (for that sabbath-day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs: but one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came thereout blood and water. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true; and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe. For these things were done, that the Scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken. And again another Scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.

Easter Even.

The Collect.

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections, we may be buried with him; and that through the grave and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection, for his merits who died and was buried,

and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Pet. iii. 17.

IT is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well-doing than for evil-doing. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: by which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison; which sometime were disobedient, when once the long-suffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls, were saved by water. The like figure whereunto, even baptism, doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience towards God), by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

The Gospel. Matt. xxvii. 57.

WHEN the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathea, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple: he went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered. And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed. And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre. Now the next day, that followed the day of the Preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first. Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch; go your way, make it as sure as ye can. So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch.

EASTER DAY.

[*At Morning Prayer, instead of the Psalm,* O come, let us sing, &c. *the following Anthems shall be sung or said.*]

CHRIST our passover is sacrificed for us: therefore let us keep the feast;

Not with the old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness: but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. 1 *Cor.* v. 7.

CHRIST, being raised from the dead, dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin: but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Rom.* vi. 9.

CHRIST is risen from the dead: and become the first-fruits of them that slept.

For since by man came death: by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die: even so in Christ shall all be made alive. 1 *Cor.* xv. 20.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech thee, that as by thy special grace preventing us, thou dost put into our minds good desires; so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Col. iii. 1.

IF ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory. Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: for which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience: in the which ye also walked sometime, when ye lived in them.

The Gospel. John xx. 1.

THE first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre. Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre. And he, stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in. Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie; and the napkin that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. Then went in also that other disciple which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw and believed. For as yet they knew not the Scripture, that he must rise again from the dead. Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

Monday in Easter Week.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech thee, that as by thy special grace preventing us, thou dost put into our minds good desires; so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever

one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Acts x. 34.

PETER opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him. The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ; (he is Lord of all;) that word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which he did, both in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree. Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly; not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.

The Gospel. Luke xxiv. 13.

BEHOLD, two of his disciples went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs. And they talked together of all these things which had happened. And it came to pass, that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. But their eyes were holden that they should not know him. And he said unto them, what manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad? And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days? And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people: and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him. But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to-day is the third day since these things were done. Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre: and when they found not his body, they came, saying, That they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive. And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found it even so as the women had said; but him they saw not. Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. And they drew nigh unto the village whither they

went: and he made as though he would have gone further. But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us; for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them. And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the Scriptures? And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon. And they told what things were done in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread.

Tuesday in Easter Week.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech thee, that as by thy special grace preventing us, thou dost put into our minds good desires; so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Acts xiii. 26.

MEN and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this salvation sent. For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath-day, they have fulfilled them in condemning him. And though they found no cause of death in him, yet desired they Pilate that he should be slain. And when they had fulfilled all that was written of him, they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a sepulchre. But God raised him from the dead: and he was seen many days of them which came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are his witnesses unto the people. And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the fathers, God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second Psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. And as concerning that he raised him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, he said on this wise, I will give you the sure mercies of David. Wherefore he saith also in another Psalm, Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption: but he whom God raised again, saw no corruption. Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins: and by him, all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law

of Moses. Beware therefore, lest that come upon you which is spoken of in the prophets; Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.

The Gospel. Luke xxiv. 36.

JESUS himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have. And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet. And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat? And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb. And he took it, and did eat before them. And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the law of Moses, and in the Prophets, and in the Psalms, concerning me. Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures, and said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things.

First Sunday after Easter.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification; Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may alway serve thee in pureness of living and truth, through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 John v. 4.

WHATSOEVER is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God, which he hath testified of his Son. He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God, hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son, hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God, hath not life.

The Gospel. **John xx. 19.**

THE same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus, and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost. Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.

Second Sunday after Easter.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life; Give us grace, that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. **1 Pet. ii. 19.**

THIS is thank-worthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully. For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God. For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously: who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

The Gospel. **John x. 11.**

JESUS said, I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

Third Sunday after Easter.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who shewest to them, that be in error, the light of thy truth

to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all them, that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same, through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Peter ii. 11.

DEARLY beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that whereas they speak against you as evil doers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the King, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evil doers, and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloak of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the King.

The Gospel. John xvi. 16.

JESUS said to his disciples, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, A little while, and ye shall see me; because I go to the Father. Then said some of his disciples among themselves, What is this that he saith unto us, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, A little while, and ye shall see me: and, Because I go to the Father? They said therefore, What is this that he saith, A little while? We cannot tell what he saith. Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask him, and said unto them, Do ye inquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, A little while, and ye shall see me? Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world. And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

Fourth Sunday after Easter.

The Collect.

OALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found, through Jesus Christ our Lord *Amen.*

The Epistle. James i. 17.

EVERY good gift, and every perfect gift, is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Of his own will

begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first-fruits of his creatures. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness, and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

The Gospel. John xvi. 5.

JESUS said unto his disciples, Now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgement: Of sin, because they believe not on me; Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; Of judgement, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

Fifth Sunday after Easter.

The Collect.

O LORD, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same, through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Epistle. James i. 22.

BE ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: for he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed. If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Pure religion, and undefiled before God and the Father, is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

The Gospel. John xvi. 23.

VERILY, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time cometh when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father. At that day ye shall ask in my

name: and I say not unto you that I will pray the Father for you; for the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father. His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb. Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God. Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe? Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered, every man to his own, and shall leave me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me. These things have I spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

Ascension Day.

The Collect.

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thine only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Acts i. 1.

THE former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen: to whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God: and, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me: for John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven, as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

The Gospel. Mark xvi. 14.

JESUS appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was

risen. And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth, and preached every-where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following.

Sunday after Ascension Day.

The Collect.

O GOD, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven; We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Peter iv. 7.

THE end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. Use hospitality one to another, without grudging. As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

The Gospel. John xv. 26, *and part of* Chap. xvi.

WHEN the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: and ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning. These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father nor me. But these things have I told you, that, when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them.

WHIT-SUNDAY.

The Collect.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort, through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in

the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Acts ii. 1.

WHEN the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them: and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed, and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galileans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

The Gospel. John xiv. 15.

JESUS said unto his disciples, If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father; and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. Judas saith unto him (not Iscariot,) Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not, keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear, is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I. And now I have

told you before it come to pass; that when it is come to pass, ye might believe. Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me. But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do.

Monday in Whitsun-Week.

The Collect.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort, through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Acts x. 34.

THEN Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him. The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ; (he is Lord of all;) that word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judea, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which he did, both in the land of the Jews and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree. Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly; not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins. While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost: for they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter, Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

The Gospel. John iii. 16.

GOD so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only-begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light is

come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved: But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest that they are wrought in God.

Tuesday in Whitsun-Week.

The Collect.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort, through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Acts viii. 14.

WHEN the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John: who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: for as yet he was fallen upon none of them; only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

The Gospel. John x. 1.

VERILY, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them. Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly

TRINITY SUNDAY.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the divine Majesty to worship the Unity; We beseech thee, that thou wouldest keep us stedfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities; who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Rev. iv. 1.

AFTER this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven; and the first voice

which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter. And immediately I was in the Spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne. And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine-stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold. And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God. And before the throne there was a sea of glass, like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts, full of eyes before and behind. And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle. And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, the four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power; for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

The Gospel. John iii. 1.

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: the same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God; for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit. Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be? Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness. If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe if I tell you of heavenly things? And no man hath

ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man, which is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up; that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

First Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O GOD, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping thy commandments we may please thee, both in will and deed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 John iv. 7.

BELOVED, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth, is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not, knoweth not God; for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only-begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit. And we have seen, and do testify, that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgement: because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment. He that feareth, is not made perfect in love. We love him because he first loved us. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen? And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

The Gospel. Luke xvi. 19.

THERE was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day: and there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores, and desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; and in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom: and he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that

he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house; for I have five brethren: that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rose from the dead.

Second Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O LORD, who never failest to help and govern them whom thou dost bring up in thy stedfast fear and love; Keep us, we beseech thee, under the protection of thy good providence, and make us to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 John iii. 13.

MARVEL not, my brethren, if the world hate you. We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother, abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth. And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him. For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God: And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight. And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment. And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

The Gospel. Luke xiv. 16.

A CERTAIN man made a great supper, and bade many: and sent his servant at supper-time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought

a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house, being angry, said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

Third Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may by thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Peter v. 5.

ALL of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour: whom resist, stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you. To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

The Gospel. Luke xv. 1.

THEN drew near unto him all the publicans and sinners, for to hear him. And the Pharisees and scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them. And he spake this parable unto them, saying, What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it? And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing. And when he cometh home, he calleth together his friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost. I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons which need no repentance. Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find it? And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and her neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found

the piece which I had lost. Likewise, I say unto you, There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O GOD, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy, that thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. viii. 18.

I RECKON that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope; because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

The Gospel. Luke vi. 36.

BE ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven: give, and it shall be given unto you: good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal, it shall be measured to you again. And he spake a parable unto them: Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch? The disciple is not above his master: but every one that is perfect shall be as his master. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite! cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Peter iii. 8.

BE ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another; love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous: not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing; but contrariwise blessing; knowing

that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing. For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile: let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled; but sanctify the Lord God in your hearts.

The Gospel. Luke v. 1.

IT came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret, and saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets. And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship. Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net. And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake. And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord. For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken: and so was also James and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men. And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O GOD, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding; Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. vi. 3.

KNOW ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead

is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him: knowing that Christ, being raised from the dead, dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Gospel. Matt. v. 20.

JESUS said unto his disciples, Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven. Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgement: but I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgement: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire. Therefore, if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee, leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

LORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. vi. 19.

I SPEAK after the manner of men, because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity, unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness, unto holiness. For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness. What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death. But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness; and the end, everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Gospel. Mark viii. 1.

IN those days, the multitude being very great, and having nothing to eat, Jesus called his disciples unto him, and saith unto them, I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now been with me three days, and have nothing to eat: and if I send them away fasting to their own houses, they will faint by the way: for divers of them came from far. And his

disciples answered him, From whence can a man satisfy these men with bread here in the wilderness? And he asked them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven. And he commanded the people to sit down on the ground: and he took the seven loaves, and gave thanks, and brake, and gave to his disciples to set before them; and they did set them before the people. And they had a few small fishes: and he blessed, and commanded to set them also before them. So they did eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken meat that was left seven baskets. And they that had eaten were about four thousand: and he sent them away.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O GOD, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth; We humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. viii. 12.

BRETHREN, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again, to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

The Gospel. Matt. vii. 15.

BEWARE of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves: ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit, is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do any thing that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Cor. x. 1.

BRETHREN, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; and were all baptized unto Moses

in the cloud and in the sea; and did all eat the same spiritual meat; and did all drink the same spiritual drink; for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ. But with many of them God was not well pleased; for they were overthrown in the wilderness. Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

The Gospel. Luke xvi. 1.

JESUS said unto his disciples, There was a certain rich man which had a steward; and the same was accused unto him that he had wasted his goods. And he called him, and said unto him, How is it that I hear this of thee? give an account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest be no longer steward. Then the steward said within himself, What shall I do, for my lord taketh away from me the stewardship? I cannot dig; to beg I am ashamed. I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses. So he called every one of his lord's debtors unto him, and said unto the first, How much owest thou unto my lord? And he said, An hundred measures of oil. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and sit down quickly, and write fifty. Then said he to another, And how much owest thou? And he said, An hundred measures of wheat. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and write fourscore. And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light. And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

LET thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Cor. xii. 1.

CONCERNING spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant. Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried

away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led. Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed; and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost. Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations; but it is the same God which worketh all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given, by the Spirit, the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge, by the same Spirit; to another faith, by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing, by the same Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: But all these worketh that one and the self-same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

The Gospel. Luke xix. 41.

AND when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it, saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes. For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, and shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation. And he went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought; saying unto them, It is written, My house is the house of prayer: but ye have made it a den of thieves. And he taught daily in the temple.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O GOD, who declarest thy Almighty power most chiefly in shewing mercy and pity; Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Cor. xv. 1.

BRETHREN, I declare unto you the Gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand: by which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the Scriptures: and that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: after that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep. After that, he was seen of James; then of all the Apostles. And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born

out of due time. For I am the least of the Apostles, that am not meet to be called an Apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. Therefore whether it were I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.

The Gospel. Luke xviii. 9.

JESUS spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself: God, I thank thee that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican: I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, This man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve; Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy; forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid; and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 2 Cor. iii. 4.

SUCH trust have we through Christ to God-ward: not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing, as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God; who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the Spirit: for the letter killeth, but the Spirit giveth life. But if the ministration of death, written and engraven in stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance; which glory was to be done away; how shall not the ministration of the Spirit be rather glorious? For if the ministration of condemnation be glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

The Gospel. Mark vii. 31.

JESUS departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis. And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him. And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue; and looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, *Ephphatha*, that is,

Be opened. And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain. And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it; and were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well: he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service; Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises, through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Gal. iii. 16.

TO Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ. And this I say, That the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect. For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise. Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator. Now a mediator is not a mediator of one; but God is one. Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law. But the Scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

The Gospel. Luke x. 23.

BLESSED are the eyes which see the things that ye see: for I tell you, That many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them. And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou? And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live. But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour? And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came

and looked on him, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again I will repay thee. Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves? And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Gal. v. 16.

I SAY then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other; so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest; which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

The Gospel. Luke xvii. 11.

AND it came to pass, as Jesus went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off: and they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God; and fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

KEEP, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy: and because

the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Gal. vi. 11.

YE see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand. As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised, only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh. But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your Spirit. Amen.

The Gospel. Matt. vi. 24.

NO man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and Mammon. Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: and yet I say unto you, that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (for after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Ephes. iii. 13.

I DESIRE that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints, what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

The Gospel. Luke vii. 11.

AND it came to pass the day after, that Jesus went into a city called Nain; and many of his disciples went with him, and much people. Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not. And he came and touched the bier: and they that bare him stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise. And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on all: and they glorified God, saying, That a great prophet is risen up among us; and, That God hath visited his people. And this rumour of him went forth throughout all Judea, and throughout all the region round about.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

LORD, we pray thee, that thy grace may always prevent and follow us; and make us continually to be given to all good works, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Ephes. iv. 1.

I THEREFORE, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

The Gospel. Luke xiv. 1.

IT came to pass, as Jesus went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread on the sabbath-day, that they watched him. And, behold, there was a certain man before him which had the dropsy. And Jesus answering, spake unto the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath-day? And they held their peace. And he took him, and healed

him, and let him go; and answered them, saying, Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the sabbath-day? And they could not answer him again to these things. And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms; saying unto them, When thou art bidden of any man to a wedding, sit not down in the highest room; lest a more honourable man than thou be bidden of him; and he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place; and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room. But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room; that when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee. For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

LORD, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil; and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Cor. i. 4.

I THANK my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ; that in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge; even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you: so that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gospel. Matt. xxii. 34.

WHEN the Pharisees had heard that Jesus had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together. Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, The son of David. He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord? saying, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool. If David then call him Lord, how is he his son? And no man was able to answer him a word; neither durst any man, from that day forth, ask him any more questions.

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O GOD, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; Mercifully grant,

that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Ephes. iv. 17.

THIS I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart; who being past feeling, have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But ye have not so learned Christ; if so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: that ye put off, concerning the former conversation, the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. Be ye angry and sin not; let not the sun go down upon your wrath: neither give place to the devil. Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil-speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: and be ye kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

The Gospel. Matt. ix. 1.

JESUS entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into his own city. And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing their faith, said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee. And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This man blasphemeth. And Jesus knowing their thoughts, said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts? For whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house. And he arose, and departed to his house. But when the multitudes saw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, which had given such power unto men.

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness, keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldest have done, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Ephes. v. 15.

SEE then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

The Gospel. Matt. xxii. 1.

JESUS said, The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son, and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come. Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage. But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, and another to his merchandize: and the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them. But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy. Go ye, therefore, into the highways; and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage. So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all, as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests. And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding-garment: and he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither, not having a wedding-garment? And he was speechless. Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but few are chosen.

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people, pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Ephes. vi. 10.

MY brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and, having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of peace; above

all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; and for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the Gospel, for which I am an ambassador in bonds; that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

The Gospel. John iv. 46.

THERE was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum. When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judea into Galilee, he went unto him, and besought him that he would come down, and heal his son: for he was at the point of death. Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe. The nobleman saith unto him, Sir, come down ere my child die. Jesus saith unto him, Go thy way; thy son liveth. And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way. And as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told him, saying, Thy son liveth. Then inquired he of them the hour when he began to amend. And they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him. So the father knew that it was at the same hour in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, and his whole house. This is again the second miracle that Jesus did, when he was come out of Judea into Galilee.

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Philip. i. 3.

I THANK my God upon every remembrance of you, (always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy,) for your fellowship in the Gospel, from the first day until now; being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ: even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the Gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace. For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ. And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgement; that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ; being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ unto the glory and praise of God.

The Gospel. Matt. xviii. 21.

PETER said unto Jesus, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and

I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times; but, Until seventy times seven. Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him which owed him ten thousand talents: but forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made. The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt. But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellow-servants which owed him an hundred pence; and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest. And his fellow-servant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And he would not; but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow-servants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done. Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me: shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow-servant, even as I had pity on thee? And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him. So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O GOD, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant, that those things, which we ask faithfully, we may obtain effectually, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Philip. iii. 17.

BRETHREN, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so, as ye have us for an ensample. (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.) For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ; who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

The Gospel. Matt. xxii. 15.

THEN went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might entangle him in his talk. And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man; for thou regardest not the person of men.

Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Cesar, or not? But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites? shew me the tribute-money. And they brought unto him a penny. And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription? They say unto him, Cesar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Cesar the things which are Cesar's, and unto God the things that are God's. When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

O LORD, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Col. i. 3.

WE give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints; for the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the Gospel; which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth: as ye also learned of Epaphras our dear fellow-servant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ; who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit. For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will, in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and long-suffering with joyfulness; giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light.

The Gospel. Matt. ix. 18.

WHILE Jesus spake these things unto John's disciples, behold, there came a certain ruler and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live. And Jesus arose and followed him, and so did his disciples. And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment: for she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. But Jesus turned him about; and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour. And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise, he said unto them, Give place; for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And

they laughed him to scorn. But when the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose. And the fame hereof went abroad into all that land.

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity.

The Collect.

STIR up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Jer. xxiii. 5.

BEHOLD, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgement and justice in the earth. In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely; and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that they shall no more say, The Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; but, The Lord liveth, which brought up, and which led, the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

The Gospel. John vi. 5.

WHEN Jesus then lifted up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do. Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley-loaves and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? and Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves: and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley-loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world.

If there be any more Sundays before Advent Sunday, the Service of some of those Sundays that were omitted after the Epiphany shall be taken in, to supply so many as are here wanting. And if there be fewer, the overplus may be omitted: Provided that this last Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, shall always be used upon the Sunday next before Advent.

Saint Andrew's Day.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who didst give such grace unto thy holy Apostle Saint Andrew,

that he readily obeyed the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him without delay; Grant unto us all, that we being called by thy holy Word, may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil thy holy Commandments, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. x. 9.

IF thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! But they have not all obeyed the Gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. But I say, Have they not heard? Yes, verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. But I say, Did not Israel know? First Moses saith, I will provoke you to jealousy by them that are no people, and by a foolish nation I will anger you. But Esaias is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not; I was made manifest unto them that asked not after me. But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.

The Gospel. Matt. iv. 18.

JESUS, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers. And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. And they straightway left their nets, and followed him. And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets: and he called them. And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.

Saint Thomas the Apostle.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who for the more confirmation of the faith didst suffer thy holy Apostle Thomas to be doubtful in thy Son's resurrection; Grant us so perfectly, and without all doubt, to believe in thy Son Jesus Christ, that our faith in thy sight may never be reproved. Hear us, O Lord, through the same Jesus Christ, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Ephes. ii. 19.

NOW therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone; in whom all the building, fitly framed together, groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: in whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

The Gospel. John xx. 24.

THOMAS, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe. And after eight days again his disciples were within. And Thomas with them. Then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God. Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed. And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: but these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

The Conversion of Saint Paul.

The Collect.

O GOD, who through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world; Grant, we beseech thee, that we having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may shew forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Acts ix. 1.

AND Saul yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest, and desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem. And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus; and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven: and he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. And he trembling and astonished, said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do. And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man. And Saul arose from the earth; and when

his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus. And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink. And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias: and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord. And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and inquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus: for, behold, he prayeth, and hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight. Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem: and here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy name. But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: for I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake. And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him, said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost. And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales; and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized. And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus. And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God. But all that heard him were amazed, and said, Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests? But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

The Gospel. Matt. xix. 27.

PETER answered and said unto Jesus, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee: what shall we have therefore? And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration, when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life. But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple, commonly called *The Purification of Saint Mary the Virgin.*

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh; so we may be presented unto thee with pure

and clean hearts, by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Mal. iii. 1.

BEHOLD, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of Hosts. But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fuller's soap: and he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness. Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the Lord, as in the days of old, and as in former years. And I will come near to you to judgement; and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the Lord of Hosts.

The Gospel. Luke ii. 22.

AND when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord; (as it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;) and to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtle-doves, or two young pigeons. And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came be the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law, then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him. And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against; (yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed. And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser; she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity; and she was a widow of about fourscore and four years, which departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. And she coming in that instant, gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem.

And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth. And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.

Saint Matthias's Day.

The Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who into the place of the traitor Judas didst choose thy faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the twelve Apostles; Grant that thy Church being alway preserved from false Apostles, may be ordered and guided by faithful and true Pastors, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Acts i. 15.

IN those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of the names together were about an hundred and twenty,) Men and brethren, this Scripture must needs have been fulfilled which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus. For he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry. Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out. And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood. For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and, His bishoprick let another take. Wherefore of these men which have companied with us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John unto that same day that he was taken up from us, must one be ordained to be a witness with us of his resurrection. And they appointed two, Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed and said, Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen, that he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place. And they gave forth their lots: and the lot fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven Apostles.

The Gospel. Matt. xi. 25.

AT that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight. All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him. Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

The Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Collect.

WE beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts; that as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Isaiah vii. 10.

MOREOVER, the Lord spake again unto Ahaz, saying, Ask thee a sign of the Lord thy God: ask it either in the depth, or in the height above. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the Lord. And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign: Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

The Gospel. Luke i. 26.

AND in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, to a Virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the Virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary; for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: and he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee; therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And, behold, thy cousin Elizabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For with God nothing shall be impossible. And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

Saint Mark's Day.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast instructed thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of thy Evangelist Saint Mark; Give us grace, that being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of thy holy Gospel, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Ephes. iv. 7.

UNTO every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now, that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: that we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: from whom the whole body fitly joined together, and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

The Gospel. John xv. 1.

I AM the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I am the vine, ye are the branches: he that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love. If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

Saint Philip and Saint James's Day.

The Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, whom truly to know is everlasting life; Grant us perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life; that following the steps of thy holy Apostles, Saint Philip and Saint James, we may stedfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life, through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. James i. 1.

JAMES, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting. My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth, is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways. Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted: but the rich, in that he is made low: because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away. For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

The Gospel. John xiv. 1.

AND Jesus said unto his disciples, Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him. Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father, that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works. Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.

Saint Barnabas the Apostle.

The Collect.

O LORD God Almighty, who didst endue thy holy Apostle Barnabas with singular gifts

of the Holy Ghost; Leave us not, we beseech thee, destitute of thy manifold gifts, nor yet of grace to use them alway to thy honour and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Acts xi. 22.

TIDINGS of these things came unto the ears of the Church which was in Jerusalem: and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch. Who when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord. For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord. Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul: and when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the Church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch. And in these days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. And there stood up one of them, named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cesar. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judea: which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

The Gospel. John xv. 12.

THIS is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you. Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain; that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

Saint John Baptist's Day.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, by whose providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of thy Son our Saviour, by preaching of repentance; Make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Isaiah xl. 1.

COMFORT ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted,

and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field: the grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; but the word of our God shall stand for ever. O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength: lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God! Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.

The Gospel. Luke i. 57.

ELISABETH'S full time came that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a son. And her neighbours and her cousins heard how the Lord had shewed great mercy upon her; and they rejoiced with her. And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father. And his mother answered and said, Not so; but he shall be called John. And they said unto her, There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name. And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called. And he asked for a writing-table, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And they marvelled all. And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue loosed, and he spake, and praised God. And fear came on all that dwelt round about them: and all these sayings were noised abroad throughout all the hill-country of Judea: and all they that heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, What manner of child shall this be? And the hand of the Lord was with him. And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied, saying, Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people, and hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David; as he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began: that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant, the oath which he sware to our father Abraham, that he would grant unto us, that we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life. And thou, Child, shalt be called The Prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways; to give knowledge of salvation unto his people, by the remission of

their sins, through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the Day-spring from on high hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace. And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his shewing unto Israel.

Saint Peter's Day.

The Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandedst him earnestly to feed thy flock; Make, we beseech thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently to preach thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same; that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Acts xii. 1.

ABOUT that time, Herod the king stretched forth his hands, to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. Then were the days of unleavened bread. And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people. Peter therefore was kept in prison; but prayer was made without ceasing of the Church unto God for him. And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and the keepers before the door kept the prison. And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands. And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals: and so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me. And he went out, and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision. When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city, which opened to them of his own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and forthwith the angel departed from him. And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety that the Lord hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

The Gospel. Matt. xvi. 13.

WHEN Jesus came into the coasts of Cesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I, the Son of man, am? And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist; some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh

and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter; and upon this rock I will build my Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Saint James the Apostle.

The Collect.

GRANT, O merciful God, that as thine holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay was obedient unto the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him; so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow thy holy Commandments, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. **Acts xi. 27. *and part of* Chap. xii.**

IN those days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch, And there stood up one of them, named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cesar. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judea: which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul. Now about that time, Herod the king stretched forth his hands, to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also.

The Gospel. **Matt. xx. 20.**

THEN came to him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him. And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom. But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able. And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with; but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father. And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren. But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

Saint Bartholomew the Apostle.

The Collect.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who didst give to thine Apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach thy Word; Grant, we beseech thee, unto thy Church, to love that Word which he believed, and both to preach and receive the same, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Acts v. 12.

BY the hands of the Apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch. And of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them. And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women;) insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them. There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.

The Gospel. Luke xxii. 24.

AND there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called Benefactors. But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations: and I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Saint Matthew the Apostle.

The Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom, to be an Apostle and Evangelist; Grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires and inordinate love of riches, and to follow the same thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 2 Cor. iv. 1.

THEREFORE, seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not; but have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. But if our Gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: in whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious Gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus

the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

The Gospel. Matt. ix. 9.

AND as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him. And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your master with publicans and sinners? But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Saint Michael and all Angels.

The Collect.

O EVERLASTING God, who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order; Mercifully grant, that as thy holy Angels alway do thee service in heaven; so by thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Rev. xii. 7.

THERE was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, and prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony: and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

The Gospel. Matt. xviii. 1.

AT the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven? And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, and said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name, receiveth me. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that

a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea. Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh! Wherefore, if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands, or two feet, to be cast into everlasting fire. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell-fire. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

Saint Luke the Evangelist.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, who calledst Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist and Physician of the soul; May it please thee, that by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him all the diseases of our souls may be healed, through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 2 Tim. iv. 5.

WATCH thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an Evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry. For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me: for Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee; for he is profitable to me for the ministry. And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus. The cloak that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee, and the books, but especially the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works: of whom be thou ware also; for he hath greatly withstood our words.

The Gospel. Luke x. 1.

THE Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come. Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest. Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves. Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: and salute no man by the way. And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace be to this house. And if the Son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again. And in the same house remain, eating

and drinking such things as they give: for the labourer is worthy of his hire.

Saint Simon and Saint Jude, Apostles.

The Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head corner-stone; Grant us so to be joined together in unity of Spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Jude 1.

JUDE, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called: Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied. Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation; ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ. I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains, under darkness, unto the judgement of the great day. Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them, in like manner giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.

The Gospel. John xv. 17.

THESE things I command you, that ye love one another. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you: if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke for their sin. He that hateth me hateth my Father also. If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father. But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause. But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father,

even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: and ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

All Saints' Day.

The Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord; Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle. Rev. vii. 2.

AND I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

Of the tribe of Juda were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Reuben were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Aser were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Nephthalim were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Manasses were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Simeon were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Levi were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Joseph were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand.

After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

The Gospel. Matt. v. 1.

JESUS seeing the multitudes, went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him: and he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying, Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

THE ORDER FOR

THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER,

OR

HOLY COMMUNION.

SO many as intend to be partakers of the Holy Communion, shall signify their names to the Curate, at least some time the day before.

And if any of those be an open and notorious evil-liver, or have done any wrong to his neighbours by word or deed, so that the Congregation be thereby offended; the Curate having knowledge thereof, shall call him and advertise him, that in any wise he presume not to come to the Lord's Table, until he hath openly declared himself to have truly repented and amended his former naughty life; that the Congregation may thereby be satisfied, which before were offended; and that he hath recompensed the parties to whom he hath done wrong, or at least declare himself to be in full purpose so to do, as soon as he conveniently may.

The same order shall the Curate use with those betwixt whom he perceiveth malice and hatred to reign; not suffering them to be partakers of the Lord's Table, until he know them to be reconciled. And if one of the parties so at variance be content to forgive from the bottom of his heart all that the other hath trespassed against him, and to make amends for that he himself hath offended; and the other party will not be persuaded to a godly unity, but remain still in his frowardness and malice; the Minister in that case ought to admit the penitent person to the Holy Communion, and not him that is obstinate. Provided that every Minister so repelling any, as is specified in this or the next precedent paragraph of this Rubrick, shall be obliged to give an account of the same to the Ordinary within fourteen days after at the farthest. And the Ordinary shall proceed against the offending person according to the Canon.

The Table at the Communion-time, having a fair white linen cloth upon it, shall stand in the body of the Church, or in the Chancel, where Morning and Evening Prayer are appointed to be said. And the Priest standing at the north side of the Table, shall say the Lord's Prayer, with the Collect following: the People kneeling.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit; that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the Priest, turning to the People, rehearse distinctly all the TEN COMMANDMENTS; *and the People, still kneeling, shall, after every Commandment, ask God mercy for their transgression thereof for the time past, and grace to keep the same for the time to come, as followeth.*

Minister.

GOD spake these words, and said, I am the Lord thy God: Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: For I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me, and keep my commandments.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt do no murder.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not steal.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Then shall follow one of these two Collects for the King, the Priest standing as before, and saying,

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite; Have mercy upon the whole Church; and so rule the heart of thy chosen servant GEORGE, our King and Governor, that he (knowing whose minister he is) may above all things seek thy honour and glory; and that we, and all his subjects (duly considering whose authority he hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey him, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed Word and ordinance, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Or,

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, we are taught by thy holy Word, that the hearts of Kings are in thy rule and governance, and that thou dost dispose and turn them as it seemeth best to thy godly wisdom; We humbly beseech thee so to dispose and govern the heart of GEORGE thy servant, our King and Governor, that in all his thoughts, words, and works, he may ever seek thy honour and glory; and study to preserve thy people committed to his charge, in wealth, peace, and godliness. Grant this, O merciful Father, for thy dear Son's sake Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall be said the Collect of the Day. And immediately after the Collect, the Priest shall read the Epistle, saying, The Epistle, [*or,* The portion of Scripture appointed for the Epistle] is written in the —— Chapter of ——, beginning at the — Verse. *And the Epistle ended, he shall say,* Here endeth the Epistle. *Then shall he read the Gospel (the People all standing up) saying,* The Holy Gospel is written in the —— Chapter of ——, beginning at the — Verse. *And the Gospel ended, shall be sung or said the Creed following, the People still standing as before.*

I BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate: He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life; Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the prophets. And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one

Baptism for the remission of sins; And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Then the Curate shall declare unto the People what Holy-Days, or Fasting-Days, are in the week following to be observed. And then also (if occasion be) shall notice be given of the Communion; and the Banns of Matrimony published; and Briefs, Citations, and Excommunications read. And nothing shall be proclaimed or published in the Church, during the time of Divine Service, but by the Minister; nor by him any thing but what is prescribed in the Rules of this Book, or enjoined by the King, or by the Ordinary of the place.

Then shall follow the Sermon, or one of the Homilies already set forth, or hereafter to be set forth by authority.

Then shall the Priest return to the Lord's Table, and begin the Offertory, saying one or more of these Sentences following, as he thinketh most convenient in his discretion.

LET your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. *Matt.* v. 16.

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where the rust and moth doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither rust nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. *Matt.* vi. 19, 20.

Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do unto them; for this is the law and the prophets. *Matt.* vii. 12.

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. *Matt.* vii. 21.

Zaccheus stood forth, and said unto the Lord, Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have done any wrong to any man, I restore fourfold. *Luke* xix. 8.

Who goeth a warfare at any time of his own cost? Who planteth a vineyard, and eateth not of the fruit thereof? Or who feedeth the flock, and eateth not of the milk of the flock? 1 *Cor.* ix. 7.

If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great matter if we shall reap your worldly things? 1 *Cor.* ix. 11.

Do ye not know that they who minister about holy things, live of the sacrifice? and they who wait at the altar, are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord also ordained, that they who preach the Gospel, should live of the Gospel. 1 *Cor.* ix. 13, 14.

He that soweth little shall reap little; and he that soweth plenteously shall reap plenteously. Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 *Cor.* ix. 6, 7.

Let him that is taught in the Word minister unto him that teacheth in all good things. Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he reap. *Gal.* vi. 6, 7.

While we have time, let us do good unto all men, and specially unto them that are of the household of faith. *Gal.* vi. 10

Godliness is great riches, if a man be content with that he hath: for we brought nothing into the world, neither may we

carry any thing out. 1 *Tim.* vi. 6, 7.

Charge them who are rich in this world, that they be ready to give, and glad to distribute; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may attain eternal life. 1 *Tim.* vi. 17, 18, 19.

God is not unrighteous, that he will forget your works, and labour that proceedeth of love; which love ye have shewed for his Name's sake, who have ministered unto the saints, and yet do minister. *Heb.* vi. 10.

To do good, and to distribute, forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. *Heb.* xiii. 16.

Whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? 1 *John* iii. 17.

Give alms of thy goods, and never turn thy face from any poor man; and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee. *Tob.* iv. 7.

Be merciful after thy power. If thou hast much, give plenteously: if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little: for so gatherest thou thyself a good reward in the day of necessity. *Tob.* iv. 8, 9.

He that hath pity upon the poor, lendeth unto the Lord: and look, what he layeth out, it shall be paid him again. *Prov.* xix. 17.

Blessed be the man that provideth for the sick and needy: the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble. *Psal.* xli. 1.

Whilst these Sentences are in reading, the Deacons, Churchwardens, or other fit Persons appointed for that purpose, shall receive the Alms for the Poor, and other devotions of the People, in a decent Bason to be provided by the Parish for that purpose; and reverently bring it to the Priest, who shall humbly present and place it upon the holy Table.

And when there is a Communion, the Priest shall then place upon the Table so much Bread and Wine as he shall think sufficient. After which done, the Priest shall say,

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully [* *to accept our alms and oblations, and*] to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name, may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and especially thy servant GEORGE our King; that under him we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto his whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates; that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and

* If there be no alms or oblations, then shall the words [*to accept our alms and oblations*] be left unsaid.

lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this Congregation here present; that with meek heart, and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom: Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

When the Minister giveth warning for the Celebration of the Holy Communion, (which he shall always do upon the Sunday, or some Holy-Day, immediately preceding,) after the Sermon or Homily ended, he shall read this Exhortation following.

DEARLY beloved, on —— day next, I purpose, through God's assistance, to administer to all such as shall be religiously and devoutly disposed, the most comfortable Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ; to be by them received, in remembrance of his meritorious Cross and Passion; whereby alone we obtain remission of our sins, and are made partakers of the kingdom of heaven. Wherefore it is our duty to render most humble and hearty thanks to Almighty God our heavenly Father, for that he hath given his Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, not only to die for us, but also to be our spiritual food and sustenance in that holy Sacrament. Which being so divine and comfortable a thing to them who receive it worthily, and so dangerous to them that will presume to receive it unworthily; my duty is to exhort you, in the mean season to consider the dignity of that holy mystery, and the great peril of the unworthy receiving thereof; and so to search and examine your own consciences (and that not lightly, and after the manner of dissemblers with God, but so) that ye may come holy and clean to such a heavenly feast, in the marriage garment required by God in holy Scripture, and be received as worthy partakers of that holy table.

The way and means thereto is; First, to examine your lives and conversations by the rule of God's commandments: and whereinsoever ye shall perceive yourselves to have offended, either by will, word, or deed, there to bewail your own sinfulness, and to confess yourselves to Almighty God, with full purpose of amendment of life. And if ye shall perceive your offences to be such as are not only against God, but also against your neighbours, then ye shall reconcile yourselves unto them, being ready to make restitution and satisfaction, according to the uttermost of your powers, for all injuries and wrongs done by you to any other; and being likewise ready to forgive others that have offended you, as ye would have forgiveness of your offences at God's hand: for otherwise

the receiving of the holy Communion doth nothing else but increase your damnation. Therefore if any of you be a blasphemer of God, an hinderer or slanderer of his Word, an adulterer, or be in malice or envy, or in any other grievous crime, repent you of your sins, or else come not to that holy table; lest after the taking of that holy Sacrament, the devil enter into you, as he entered into Judas, and fill you full of all iniquities, and bring you to destruction both of body and soul.

And because it is requisite that no man should come to the holy Communion but with a full trust in God's mercy, and with a quiet conscience, therefore if there be any of you who by this means cannot quiet his own conscience herein, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to me, or to some other discreet and learned Minister of God's Word, and open his grief; that by the ministry of God's holy Word he may receive the benefit of absolution, together with ghostly counsel and advice, to the quieting of his conscience, and avoiding of all scruple and doubtfulness.

Or in case he shall see the People negligent to come to the Holy Communion, instead of the former he shall use this Exhortation.

DEARLY beloved brethren, on —— I intend, by God's grace, to celebrate the Lord's Supper: unto which, in God's behalf, I bid you all that are here present; and beseech you for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, that ye will not refuse to come thereto, being so lovingly called and bidden by God himself. Ye know how grievous and unkind a thing it is, when a man hath prepared a rich feast, decked his table with all kind of provision, so that there lacketh nothing, but the guests to sit down; and yet they who are called, without any cause, most unthankfully refuse to come. Which of you, in such a case, would not be moved? Who would not think a great injury and wrong done unto him? Wherefore, most dearly beloved in Christ, take ye good heed, lest ye, withdrawing yourselves from this holy Supper, provoke God's indignation against you. It is an easy matter for a man to say, I will not communicate, because I am otherwise hindered with worldly business. But such excuses are not so easily accepted and allowed before God. If any man say, I am a grievous sinner, and therefore am afraid to come; wherefore then do ye not repent and amend? When God calleth you, are ye not ashamed to say, ye will not come? When ye should return to God, will ye excuse yourselves, and say, ye are not ready? Consider earnestly with yourselves, how little such feigned excuses will avail before God. They that refused the feast in the Gospel, because they had bought a farm or would try their yokes of oxen, or because they were married, were not so excused, but counted unworthy of the heavenly feast. I, for my part, shall be ready; and according to mine office, I bid you in the name of God; I call you in Christ's behalf; I exhort you, as ye love your own salvation, that ye will be partakers of this holy Communion. And as the Son of God did vouchsafe to yield up his

soul by death upon the cross for your salvation; so it is your duty to receive the Communion in remembrance of the sacrifice of his death, as he himself hath commanded: Which if ye shall neglect to do, consider with yourselves, how great injury ye do unto God, and how sore punishment hangeth over your heads for the same; when ye wilfully abstain from the Lord's Table, and separate from your brethren, who come to feed on the banquet of that most heavenly food. These things if ye earnestly consider, ye will by God's grace return to a better mind: for the obtaining whereof we shall not cease to make our humble petitions unto Almighty God our heavenly Father.

At the time of the celebration of the Communion, the Communicants being conveniently placed for the receiving of the Holy Sacrament, the Priest shall say this Exhortation.

DEARLY beloved in the Lord, ye that mind to come to the holy Communion of the body and blood of our Saviour Christ, must consider how Saint Paul exhorteth all persons diligently to try and examine themselves, before they presume to eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup. For as the benefit is great, if with a true penitent heart and lively faith we receive that holy Sacrament; (for then we spiritually eat the Flesh of Christ, and drink his Blood; then we dwell in Christ, and Christ in us; we are one with Christ, and Christ with us:) so is the danger great, if we receive the same unworthily: For then we are guilty of the Body and Blood of Christ our Saviour; we eat and drink our own damnation, not considering the Lord's Body; we kindle God's wrath against us; we provoke him to plague us with divers diseases, and sundry kinds of death. Judge therefore yourselves, brethren, that ye be not judged of the Lord: repent ye truly for your sins past; have a lively and stedfast faith in Christ our Saviour; amend your lives, and be in perfect charity with all men; so shall ye be meet partakers of those holy mysteries. And above all things, ye must give most humble and hearty thanks to God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, for the redemption of the world by the death and passion of our Saviour Christ, both God and man; who did humble himself, even to the death upon the cross, for us miserable sinners, who lay in darkness, and the shadow of death; that he might make us the children of God, and exalt us to everlasting life. And to the end that we should alway remember the exceeding great love of our Master and only Saviour Jesus Christ, thus dying for us, and the innumerable benefits which by his precious blood-shedding he hath obtained to us, he hath instituted and ordained holy mysteries, as pledges of his love, and for a continual remembrance of his death, to our great and endless comfort. To him therefore, with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, let us give, as we are most bounden, continual thanks; submitting ourselves wholly to his holy will and pleasure, and studying to serve him in true holiness and righteousness all the days of our life. *Amen.*

Then shall the Priest say to them that come to receive the Holy Communion,

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Then shall this general Confession be made in the name of all those that are minded to receive the Holy Communion, by one of the Ministers; both he and all the People kneeling humbly upon their knees, and saying,

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then shall the Priest (or the Bishop, being present) stand up, and, turning himself to the People, pronounce this Absolution.

ALMIGHTY God our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the Priest say,

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

COME unto me, all ye that travel and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matt.* xi. 28.

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John* iii. 16.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 *Tim.* i. 15.

Hear also what St. John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins. 1 *John* ii. 1, 2.

After which the Priest shall proceed, saying,

Lift up your hearts.

Answ. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Answ. It is meet and right so to do.

Then shall the Priest turn to the Lord's Table, and say,

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, *Holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God.

* *These words* [Holy Father] *must be omitted on Trinity Sunday.*

Here shall follow the Proper Preface, according to the time, if there be any specially appointed: or else immediately shall follow,

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. *Amen.*

PROPER PREFACES.

Upon Christmas-Day, and seven Days after.

BECAUSE thou didst give Jesus Christ thine only Son to be born as at this time for us; who, by the operation of the Holy Ghost, was made very Man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

Upon Easter-Day, and seven Days after.

BUT chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

Upon Ascension-Day, and seven Days after.

THROUGH thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his most glorious Resurrection manifestly appeared to all his Apostles, and in their sight ascended up into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, thither we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

Upon Whit-Sunday, and six Days after.

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Ghost came down as at this time from heaven with a sudden great sound, as it had been a mighty wind, in the likeness of fiery tongues, lighting upon the Apostles, to teach them, and to lead them to all truth; giving them both the gift of divers languages, and also boldness with fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel unto all nations; whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error, into the clear light and true knowledge of thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

Upon the Feast of Trinity only.

WHO art one God, one Lord; not only one Person, but three Persons in one substance. For that which we believe of the glory of the Father, the same we believe of the Son, and of

the Holy Ghost, without any difference or inequality. Therefore with Angels, *&c.*

After each of which Prefaces shall immediately be sung or said,

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. *Amen.*

Then shall the Priest, kneeling down at the Lord's Table, say in the name of all them that shall receive the Communion, this Prayer following:

WE do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his Blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

When the Priest, standing before the Table, hath so ordered the Bread and Wine, that he may with the more readiness and decency break the Bread before the People, and take the Cup into his hands, he shall say the Prayer of Consecration as followeth:

ALMIGHTY God our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again; Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant, that we receiving these thy creatures of Bread and Wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: who in the same night that he was betrayed, (*a*) took bread; and when he had given thanks, (*b*) he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, (*c*) this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me Likewise after Supper, (*d*) he took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this (*e*) is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins: Do this as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. *Amen.*

(*a*) Here the Priest is to take the Paten into his hands:

(*b*) And here to break the Bread:

(*c*) And here to lay his hand upon all the Bread.

(*d*) Here he is to take the Cup into his hand:

(*e*) And here to lay his hand upon every Vessel, (be it Chalice or Flagon) in which there is any Wine to be consecrated.

Then shall the Minister first receive the Communion in both kinds himself, and then proceed to deliver the same to the Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, in like manner, (if any

be present;) and after that, to the People also in order, into their hands, all meekly kneeling. And when he delivereth the Bread to any one, he shall say,

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

And the Minister that delivereth the Cup to any one, shall say,

THE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

If the consecrated Bread or Wine be all spent before all have communicated, the Priest is to consecrate more, according to the form before prescribed; beginning at [Our Saviour Christ in the same night, *&c.*] *for the blessing of the Bread, and at* [Likewise after Supper, *&c.*] *for the blessing of the Cup.*

When all have communicated, the Minister shall return to the Lord's Table, and reverently place upon it what remaineth of the consecrated Elements, covering the same with a fair linen cloth.

Then shall the Priest say the Lord's Prayer, the People repeating after him every petition.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

After shall be said as followeth:

O LORD and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his Blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

Or this:

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us;

and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical Body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in, through Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Then shall be said or sung,

GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us: Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us: Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer: Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father Amen.

Then the Priest (or Bishop, if he be present) shall let them depart with this Blessing.

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Collects to be said after the Offertory, when there is no Communion, every such Day one or more; and the same may be said also, as often as occasion shall serve, after the Collects either of Morning or Evening Prayer, Communion, or Litany, by the discretion of the Minister.

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by thy most gracious and ready help, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears may, through thy grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of thy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name; and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in thy Son's Name; We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and supplications unto thee; and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

UPON the Sundays and other Holy-Days (if there be no Communion) shall be said all that is appointed at the Communion, until the end of the general Prayer [For the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth], *together with one or more of these Collects last before rehearsed, concluding with the Blessing.*

And there shall be no celebration of the Lord's Supper, except there be a convenient number to communicate with the Priest, according to his discretion.

And if there be not above twenty Persons in the Parish of discretion to receive the Communion, yet there shall be no Communion, except four (or three at the least) communicate with the Priest.

And in Cathedral and Collegiate Churches and Colleges, where there are many Priests and Deacons, they shall all receive the Communion with the Priest every Sunday at the least, except they have a reasonable cause to the contrary.

And to take away all occasion of dissention and superstition, which any Person hath or might have concerning the Bread and Wine, it shall suffice that the Bread be such as is usual to be eaten, but the best and purest Wheat Bread that conveniently may be gotten.

And if any of the Bread and Wine remain unconsecrated, the Curate shall have it to his own use; but if any remain of that which was consecrated, it shall not be carried out of the Church, but the Priest, and such other of the Communicants as he shall then call unto him, shall, immediately after the Blessing, reverently eat and drink the same.

The Bread and Wine for the Communion shall be provided by the Curate and the Churchwardens, at the charges of the Parish.

And note, that every Parishioner shall communicate at the least three times in the year, of which Easter to be one. And yearly at Easter every Parishioner shall reckon with the Parson, Vicar, or Curate, or his or their deputy or deputies; and pay to them or him all Ecclesiastical Duties accustomably due, then and at that time to be paid.

After the Divine Service ended, the money given at the Offertory shall be disposed of to such pious and charitable uses as the Minister and Church-wardens shall think fit. Wherein if they disagree, it shall be disposed of as the Ordinary shall appoint.

"WHEREAS it is ordained in this Office for the Administration of the "Lord's Supper, that the Communicants should receive the same kneeling; "(which Order is well meant, for a signification of our humble and "grateful acknowledgement of the benefits of Christ therein given to all "worthy Receivers, and for the avoiding of such profanation and disorder "in the Holy Communion as might otherwise ensue:) Yet, lest the same "kneeling should by any Persons, either out of ignorance and infirmity, "or out of malice and obstinacy, be misconstrued and depraved; it is "hereby declared, That thereby no Adoration is intended, or ought to "be done, either unto the Sacramental Bread or Wine there bodily "received, or unto any Corporeal presence of Christ's natural Flesh and "Blood. For the Sacramental Bread and Wine remain still in their very "natural substances; and therefore may not be adored; (for that were "Idolatry to be abhorred of all faithful Christians:) and the natural Body "and Blood of our Saviour Christ are in Heaven, and not here; it being "against the truth of Christ's natural Body to be at one time in more "places than one."

PUBLIC BAPTISM OF INFANTS,

TO BE USED IN THE CHURCH.

THE People are to be admonished, that it is most convenient that Baptism should not be administered but upon Sundays, and other Holy-Days, when the most number of People come together; as well for that the Congregation there present may testify the receiving of them that be newly baptized into the number of Christ's Church; as also because, in the Baptism of Infants, every man present may be put in remembrance of his own profession made to God in his Baptism. For which cause also it is expedient that Baptism be ministered in the vulgar tongue. Nevertheless, (if necessity so require) Children may be baptized upon any other Day.

And note, That there shall be for every Male Child to be baptized, two Godfathers and one Godmother; and for every Female, one Godfather and two Godmothers.

When there are Children to be baptized, the Parents shall give knowledge thereof over night, or in the morning before the beginning of Morning Prayer, to the Curate. And then the Godfathers and Godmothers, and the People with the Children, must be ready at the Font, either immediately after the last Lesson at Morning Prayer, or else immediately after the last Lesson at Evening Prayer, as the Curate by his discretion shall appoint. And the Priest coming to the Font (which is then to be filled with pure Water,) and standing there, shall say,

HATH this Child been already baptized, or no?

If they answer No; *then shall the Priest proceed as followeth:*

DEARLY beloved, forasmuch as all men are conceived and born in sin; and that our Saviour Christ saith, None can enter into the kingdom of God, except he be regenerate, and born anew of Water and of the Holy Ghost; I beseech you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his bounteous mercy he will grant to *this Child* that thing which by nature *he* cannot have; that *he* may be baptized with Water and the Holy Ghost, and received into Christ's holy Church, and be made *a* lively *member* of the same.

Then shall the Priest say,

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who of thy great mercy didst save Noah and his family in the ark from perishing by water; and also didst safely lead the children of Israel thy people through the Red Sea, figuring thereby thy holy Baptism; and by the Baptism of thy well-beloved Son Jesus Christ in the river Jordan, didst sanctify Water to the mystical washing away of

sin; We beseech thee, for thine infinite mercies, that thou wilt mercifully look upon *this Child;* wash *him,* and sanctify *him* with the Holy Ghost; that *he* being delivered from thy wrath, may be received into the ark of Christ's Church; and being stedfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity, may so pass the waves of this troublesome world, that finally *he* may come to the land of everlasting life; there to reign with thee world without end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and immortal God, the aid of all that need, the helper of all that flee to thee for succour, the life of them that believe, and the resurrection of the dead; We call upon thee for *this Infant,* that *he* coming to thy holy Baptism, may receive remission of *his* sins by spiritual regeneration. Receive *him,* O Lord, as thou hast promised by thy well-beloved Son, saying, Ask, and ye shall have; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: So give now unto us that ask; let us that seek, find; open the gate unto us that knock; that *this Infant* may enjoy the everlasting benediction of thy heavenly washing, and may come to the eternal kingdom which thou hast promised by Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the People stand up, and the Priest shall say,

Hear the words of the Gospel written by Saint *Mark,* in the 10th chapter, at the 13th verse.

THEY brought young children to Christ, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

After the Gospel is read, the Minister shall make this brief Exhortation upon the words of the Gospel.

BELOVED, ye hear in this Gospel the words of our Saviour Christ, that he commanded the children to be brought unto him; how he blamed those that would have kept them from him; how he exhorteth all men to follow their innocency. Ye perceive how by his outward gesture and deed he declared his good will toward them; for he embraced them in his arms, he laid his hands upon them, and blessed them. Doubt ye not therefore, but earnestly believe that he will likewise favourably receive *this* present *Infant;* that he will embrace *him* with the arms of his mercy; that he will give unto *him* the blessing of eternal life, and make *him partaker* of his everlasting kingdom. Wherefore, we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father towards *this Infant,* declared by his Son Jesus Christ; and nothing doubting, but that he favourably alloweth this charitable work of ours, in bringing *this Infant* to his holy Baptism; let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks unto him, and say,

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, we give thee humble thanks, that

thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to *this Infant;* that *he* may be born again, and be made *an heir* of everlasting salvation, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Then shall the Priest speak unto the Godfathers and Godmothers on this wise.

DEARLY beloved, ye have brought *this Child* here to be baptized; ye have prayed that our Lord Jesus Christ would vouchsafe to receive *him,* to release *him* of *his* sins, to sanctify *him* with the Holy Ghost, to give *him* the kingdom of heaven, and everlasting life. Ye have heard also, that our Lord Jesus Christ hath promised in his Gospel to grant all these things that ye have prayed for: which promise, he, for his part, will most surely keep and perform. Wherefore, after this promise made by Christ, *this Infant* must also faithfully, for *his* part, promise by you that are *his* sureties, (until *he* come of age to take it upon *himself*) that *he* will renounce the devil and all his works, and constantly believe God's holy Word, and obediently keep his Commandments.

I demand therefore,

DOST thou, in the name of this child, renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the carnal desires of the flesh, so that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them all.

Minister.

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the remission of sins; the resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

Answer. All this I stedfastly believe.

Minister.

WILT thou be baptized in this faith?

Answer. That is my desire.

Minister.

WILT thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Answer. I will.

Then shall the Priest say,

O MERCIFUL God, grant that the old Adam in *this Child* may be so buried, that the new man may be raised up in *him. Amen.*

Grant that all carnal affections may die in *him,* and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in *him. Amen.*

Grant that *he* may have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph against the devil, the world, and the flesh. *Amen.*

Grant that whosoever is here dedicated to thee by our Office and Ministry, may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live and govern all things, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, whose most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins, did shed out of his most precious side both water and blood; and gave commandment to his disciples, that they should go teach all nations, and baptize them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Regard, we beseech thee, the supplications of thy Congregation; sanctify this Water to the mystical washing away of sin; and grant that *this Child*, now to be baptized therein, may receive the fulness of thy grace, and ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then the Priest shall take the Child into his hands, and shall say to the Godfathers and Godmothers,

Name this Child.

And then naming it after them (if they shall certify him that the Child may well endure it) he shall dip it in the Water discreetly and warily, saying,

N. I baptize thee, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

But if they certify that the Child is weak, it shall suffice to pour Water upon it, saying the aforesaid words,

N. I baptize thee, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son. and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then the Priest shall say,

WE receive this Child into the Congregation of Christ's flock; and do *sign *him* with the sign of the Cross; in token that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his* life's end. Amen.

* Here the Priest shall make a Cross upon the Child's forehead.

Then shall the Priest say,

SEEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that *this Child is* regenerate, and grafted into the body of Christ's Church; let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits, and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that *this Child* may lead the rest of *his life* according to this beginning.

Then shall be said, all kneeling;

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Then shall the Priest say,

WE yield thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate

this Infant with thy Holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own *Child* by adoption, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And humbly we beseech thee to grant, that *he* being dead unto sin, and living unto righteousness, and being buried with Christ in his death, may crucify the old man, and utterly abolish the whole body of sin; and that as *he is* made *partaker* of the death of thy Son, *he* may also be *partaker* of his resurrection; so that finally, with the residue of thy holy Church, *he* may be *an inheritor* of thine everlasting kingdom, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then all standing up, the Priest shall say to the Godfathers and Godmothers this Exhortation following:

FORASMUCH as *this Child hath* promised by you *his* sureties, to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him; ye must remember, that it is your parts and duties to see that *this Infant* be taught, so soon as *he* shall be able to learn, what a solemn vow, promise, and profession *he hath* here made by you. And that *he* may know these things the better, ye shall call upon *him* to hear Sermons; and chiefly ye shall provide, that *he* may learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments in the vulgar tongue, and all other things which a Christian ought to know, and believe to his soul's health; and that *this Child* may be virtuously brought up to lead a godly and a Christian life; remembering always, that Baptism doth represent unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and to be made like unto him; that as he died, and rose again for us, so should we, who are baptized, die from sin, and rise again unto righteousness, continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

Then shall he add, and say;

YE are to take care that *this Child* be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as *he* can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments in the vulgar tongue, and be further instructed in the Church Catechism, set forth for that purpose.

"IT is certain by God's Word, that Children which are baptized, dying "before they commit actual sin, are undoubtedly saved.

"To take away all scruple concerning the use of the sign of the Cross "in Baptism; the true explication thereof, and the just reasons for "the retaining of it, may be seen in the xxxth Canon, first published in "the year 1604."

THE MINISTRATION OF

PRIVATE BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

IN HOUSES.

THE Curates of every Parish shall often admonish the People, that they defer not the Baptism of their Children longer than the first or second Sunday next after their Birth, or other Holy-Day falling between, unless upon a great and reasonable cause, to be approved by the Curate.

And also they shall warn them, that without like great cause and necessity they procure not their Children to be baptized at home in their houses. But when need shall compel them so to do, then Baptism shall be administered on this fashion;

First, let the Minister of the Parish (or, in his absence, any other lawful Minister that can be procured), with them that are present, call upon God, and say the Lord's Prayer, and so many of the Collects appointed to be said before in the Form of Public Baptism, as the time and present exigence will suffer: And then, the Child being named by some one that is present, the Minister shall pour Water upon it, saying these words:

NI baptize thee, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then all kneeling down, the Minister shall give thanks unto God, and say,

WE yield thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate *this Infant* with thy Holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own *Child* by adoption, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And we humbly beseech thee to grant, that as *he is* now made *partaker* of the death of thy Son, so *he* may be also of his resurrection; and that finally, with the residue of thy saints, *he* may inherit thine everlasting kingdom, through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

And let them not doubt, but that the Child so baptized is lawfully and sufficiently baptized, and ought not to be baptized again. Yet nevertheless, if the Child, which is after this sort baptized, do afterward live, it is expedient that it be brought into the Church; to the intent, that if the Minister of the same Parish did himself baptize that Child, the Congregation may be certified of the true Form of Baptism by him privately before used: In which case he shall say thus;

I CERTIFY you, that according to the due and prescribed Order of the Church, *at such a time*, and *at such a place*, before divers witnesses I baptized this Child.

But if the Child were baptized by any other lawful Minister, then the Minister of the Parish where

the Child was born or christened shall examine and try whether the Child be lawfully baptized or no. In which case, if those that bring any Child to the Church do answer that the same Child is already baptized, then shall the Minister examine them further, saying,

BY whom was this Child baptized?

Who was present when this Child was baptized?

Because some things essential to this Sacrament may happen to be omitted through fear or haste, in such times of extremity; therefore I demand further of you,

With what matter was this Child baptized?

With what words was this Child baptized?

And if the Minister shall find, by the answers of such as bring the Child, that all things were done as they ought to be, then shall not he christen the Child again, but shall receive him as one of the flock of true Christian People, saying thus;

I CERTIFY you, that in this case all is well done, and according unto due order, concerning the baptizing of this Child; who being born in original sin, and in the wrath of God, is now, by the laver of regeneration in Baptism, received into the number of the children of God, and heirs of everlasting life: for our Lord Jesus Christ doth not deny his grace and mercy unto such infants, but most lovingly doth call them unto him, as the holy Gospel doth witness to our comfort on this wise;

Mark x. 13.

THEY brought young children to Christ, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

After the Gospel is read, the Minister shall make this brief Exhortation upon the words of the Gospel.

BELOVED, ye hear in this Gospel the words of our Saviour Christ, that he commanded the children to be brought unto him; how he blamed those that would have kept them from him; how he exhorted all men to follow their innocency. Ye perceive how by his outward gesture and deed he declared his good will toward them; for he embraced them in his arms, he laid his hands upon them, and blessed them. Doubt ye not therefore, but earnestly believe, that he hath likewise favourably received *this* present *Infant*; that he hath embraced *him* with the arms of his mercy; and (as he hath promised in his holy Word) will give unto *him* the blessing of eternal life, and make *him partaker* of his everlasting kingdom. Wherefore, we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father, declared by his Son Jesus Christ, towards *this Infant*, let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks unto him, and say the Prayer which the Lord himself taught us:

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come;

Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, we give thee humble thanks, that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to *this Infant*, that *he* being born again, and being made *an heir* of everlasting salvation, through our Lord Jesus Christ, may continue thy *servant*, and attain thy promise, through the same our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Then shall the Priest demand the Name of the Child; which being by the Godfathers and Godmothers pronounced, the Minister shall say,

DOST thou, in the name of this Child, renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the carnal desires of the flesh; so that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them all.

Minister.

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the remission of sins; the resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

Answer. All this I stedfastly believe.

Minister.

WILT thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Answer. I will.

Then the Priest shall say,

WE receive this Child into the Congregation of Christ's flock; and do * sign *him* with the sign of the Cross; in token that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his* life's end. *Amen.*

* Here the Priest shall make a Cross upon the Child's forehead.

Then shall the Priest say,

SEEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that *this Child is* by Baptism regenerate, and grafted into the body of Christ's Church; let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits, and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that *he* may lead the rest of *his life* according to this beginning.

Then shall the Priest say,

WE yield thee most hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate *this Infant* with thy Holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own *Child* by adoption, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And humbly we beseech thee to grant, that *he* being dead unto sin, and living unto righteousness, and being buried with Christ in his death, may crucify the old man, and utterly abolish the whole body of sin; and that as *he is* made *partaker* of the death of thy Son, *he* may also be *partaker* of his resurrection; so that finally, with the residue of thy holy Church, *he* may be *an inheritor* of thine everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then all standing up, the Minister shall make this Exhortation to the Godfathers and Godmothers:

FORASMUCH as *this Child hath* promised by you, *his* sureties, to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him; ye must remember, that it is your parts and duties to see that *this Infant* be taught, so soon as *he* shall be able to learn, what a solemn vow, promise, and profession *he hath* here made by you. And that *he* may know these things the better, ye shall call upon *him* to hear Sermons; and chiefly ye shall provide, that *he* may learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments in the vulgar tongue, and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health; and that *this Child* may be virtuously brought up to lead a godly and a Christian life; remembering always, that Baptism doth represent unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and be made like unto him; that as he died, and rose again for us, so should we, who are baptized, die from sin, and rise again unto righteousness; continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

But if they which bring the Infant to the Church do make such uncertain answers to the Priest's questions, as that it cannot appear that the Child was baptized with Water, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, (which are essential parts of Baptism;) then let the Priest baptize it in the Form before appointed for Public Baptism of Infants; saying, that at the dipping of the Child in the Font he shall use this form of words:

IF thou art not already baptized, *N.* I baptize thee, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE MINISTRATION OF

BAPTISM TO SUCH AS ARE OF RIPER YEARS,

AND ABLE TO ANSWER FOR THEMSELVES.

WHEN any such Persons, as are of Riper Years, are to be baptized, timely notice shall be given to the Bishop, or whom he shall appoint for that purpose, a week before at the least, by the Parents, or some other discreet Persons; that so due care may be taken for their Examination, whether they be sufficiently instructed in the principles of the Christian Religion; and that they may be exhorted to prepare themselves with Prayers and Fasting for the receiving of this holy Sacrament.

And if they shall be found fit, then the Godfathers and Godmothers (the People being assembled upon the Sunday or Holy-Day appointed) shall be ready to present them at the Font, immediately after the second Lesson, either at Morning or Evening Prayer, as the Curate in his discretion shall think fit.

And standing there, the Priest shall ask, Whether any of the Persons here presented be baptized, or no? If they shall answer No, *then shall the Priest say thus:*

DEARLY beloved, forasmuch as all men are conceived and born in sin; and that which is born of the flesh is flesh, and they that are in the flesh cannot please God, but live in sin, committing many actual transgressions; and that our Saviour Christ saith, None can enter into the kingdom of God, except he be regenerate, and born anew of Water and of the Holy Ghost; I beseech you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his bounteous goodness he will grant to *these Persons* that which by nature *they* cannot have; that *they* may be baptized with Water and the Holy Ghost, and received into Christ's holy Church, and be made lively *members* of the same.

Then shall the Priest say,

Let us pray.

(And here all the Congregation shall kneel.)

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who of thy great mercy didst save Noah and his family in the ark from perishing by water; and also didst safely lead the children of Israel thy people through the Red sea, figuring thereby thy holy Baptism; and by the Baptism of thy well-beloved Son Jesus Christ in the river Jordan didst sanctify the element of Water to the mystical washing away of sin; We beseech thee, for thine infinite mercies, that thou wilt mercifully look upon *these* thy *servants;* wash *them,* and sanctify *them* with the Holy Ghost, that *they,* being delivered from thy wrath, may be received into the ark of Christ's Church; and being stedfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity, may so pass the waves of this troublesome world, that finally *they* may come to the land of everlasting life; there to reign with thee world

without end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and immortal God, the aid of all that need, the helper of all that flee to thee for succour, the life of them that believe, and the resurrection of the dead; We call upon thee for *these Persons*, that *they* coming to thy holy Baptism, may receive remission of *their* sins by spiritual regeneration. Receive *them*, O Lord, as thou hast promised by thy well-beloved Son, saying, Ask, and ye shall receive; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto yea: So give now unto us that ask; let us that seek, find; open the gate unto us that knock; that *these Persons* may enjoy the everlasting benediction of thy heavenly washing, and may come to the eternal kingdom which thou hast promised by Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the People stand up, and the Priest shall say,

Hear the words of the Gospel written by Saint *John*, in the third chapter, beginning at the first verse.

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: the same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of Water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

After which he shall say this Exhortation following:

BELOVED, ye hear in this Gospel the express words of our Saviour Christ, That except a man be born of Water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. Whereby ye may perceive the great necessity of this Sacrament, where it may be had. Likewise, immediately before his ascension into heaven, (as we read in the last chapter of St. Mark's Gospel,) he gave command to his disciples, saying, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized, shall be saved; but he that believeth not, shall be damned. Which also sheweth unto us the great benefit we reap thereby. For which cause Saint Peter the Apostle, when upon his first preaching of the Gospel many were pricked at the heart, and said to him and the rest of the Apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? replied and said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost: For the promise is to you, and your children, and to all that

are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. And with many other words exhorted he them, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation. For (as the same Apostle testifieth in another place) even Baptism doth also now save us, (not the cutting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience towards God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Doubt ye not therefore, but earnestly believe, that he will favourably receive *these* present *Persons*, truly repenting, and coming unto him by faith; that he will grant *them* remission of *their* sins, and bestow upon *them* the Holy Ghost; that he will give *them* the blessing of eternal life, and make *them partakers* of his everlasting kingdom.

Wherefore, we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father towards *these Persons*, declared by his Son Jesus Christ; let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks to him, and say,

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, we give thee humble thanks, for that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to *these Persons* that *they* may be born again, and be made *heirs* of everlasting salvation, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Then the Priest shall speak to the Persons to be baptized on this wise:

WELL-BELOVED, who are come hither desiring to receive holy Baptism, *ye* have heard how the congregation hath prayed, that our Lord Jesus Christ would vouchsafe to receive you and bless you, to release you of your sins, to give you the kingdom of heaven, and everlasting life. *Ye* have heard also, that our Lord Jesus Christ hath promised in his holy Word, to grant all those things that we have prayed for; which promise he, for his part, will most surely keep and perform.

Wherefore, after this promise made by Christ, *ye* must also faithfully, for your part, promise in the presence of these your Witnesses, and this whole Congregation, that *ye* will renounce the devil and all his works, and constantly believe God's holy Word, and obediently keep his Commandments.

Then shall the Priest demand of each of the Persons to be baptized, severally, these Questions following:

Quest. DOST thou renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the carnal desires of the flesh; so that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them all.

Q. DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right

hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again, at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the remission of sins; the resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

A. All this I stedfastly believe.

Q. WILT thou be baptized in this faith?

A. That is my desire.

Q. WILT thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

A. I will endeavour so to do, God being my helper.

Then shall the Priest say,

O MERCIFUL God, grant that the old Adam in *these Persons* may be so buried, that the new man may be raised up in *them. Amen.*

Grant that all carnal affections may die in *them*, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in *them. Amen.*

Grant that *they* may have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph against the devil, the world, and the flesh. *Amen.*

Grant that *they* being here dedicated to thee by our Office and Ministry, may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live and govern all things, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, whose most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins, did shed out of his most precious side both water and blood; and gave commandment to his disciples, that they should go teach all nations, and baptize them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Regard, we beseech thee, the supplications of this Congregation; sanctify this Water to the mystical washing away of sin; and grant that the *Persons* now to be baptized therein, may receive the fulness of thy grace, and ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the Priest take each Person to be baptized, by the right hand, and placing him conveniently by the Font, according to his discretion, shall ask the Godfathers and Godmothers the Name; and then shall dip him in the water, or pour water upon him, saying,

N. I baptize thee, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then shall the Priest say,

WE receive this Person into the congregation of Christ's flock; and do * sign *him* with the sign of the Cross; in token that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his* life's end. Amen.

* Here the Priest shall make a Cross upon the Person's forehead.

Then shall the Priest say,

SEEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that *these Persons are* regenerate, and grafted into the body of Christ's Church; let us give thanks unto Almighty

God for these benefits, and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that *they* may lead the rest of *their* life according to this beginning.

Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer, all kneeling.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

WE yield thee humble thanks, O heavenly Father, that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to *these Persons;* that being now born again, and made *heirs* of everlasting salvation, through our Lord Jesus Christ, *they* may continue thy *servants*, and attain thy promises, through the same Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, everlastingly. *Amen.*

Then all standing up, the Priest shall use this Exhortation following; speaking to the Godfathers and Godmothers first.

FORASMUCH as *these Persons have* promised in your presence, to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him; ye must remember, that it is your part and duty to put *them* in mind, what a solemn vow, promise, and profession *they have* now made before this Congregation, and especially before you *their* chosen Witnesses. And ye are also to call upon *them* to use all diligence to be rightly instructed in God's holy Word; that so *they* may grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, and live godly, righteously, and soberly in this present world.

(And then speaking to the new baptized Persons, he shall proceed, and say,)

AND as for you, who have now by Baptism put on Christ, it is your part and duty also, being made the *Children* of God and of the light, by faith in Jesus Christ, to walk answerably to your Christian calling, and as becometh the children of light; remembering always that Baptism representeth unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and to be made like unto him; that as he died, and rose again for us; so should we, who are baptized, die from sin, and rise again unto righteousness; continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

It is expedient that every Person, thus baptized, should be confirmed by the Bishop, so soon after his Baptism as conveniently may be; that so he may be admitted to the Holy Communion.

If any Persons, not baptized in their Infancy, shall be brought to be baptized before they come to years of discretion to answer for themselves; it may suffice to use the Office for Public Baptism of Infants, or (in case of extreme danger) the Office for Private Baptism; only changing the word [Infant] *for* [Child *or* Person] *as occasion requireth.*

A CATECHISM;

THAT IS TO SAY,

AN INSTRUCTION, TO BE LEARNED OF EVERY PERSON

BEFORE HE BE BROUGHT

TO BE CONFIRMED BY THE BISHOP.

Question.

WHAT is your name?

Answer. N. or M.

Q. Who gave you this name?

A. My Godfathers and Godmothers in my Baptism; wherein I was made a member of Christ, the child of God, and an inheritor of the kingdom of heaven.

Q. What did your Godfathers and Godmothers then for you?

A. They did promise and vow three things in my name: First, that I should renounce the devil and all his works, the pomps and vanity of this wicked world, and all the sinful lusts of the flesh. Secondly, that I should believe all the Articles of the Christian Faith. And thirdly, that I should keep God's holy Will and Commandments, and walk in the same all the days of my life.

Q. Dost thou not think that thou art bound to believe, and to do, as they have promised for thee?

A. Yes, verily; and by God's help so I will. And I heartily thank our heavenly Father, that he hath called me to this state of salvation, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. And I pray unto God to give me his grace, that I may continue in the same unto my life's end.

Catechist. Rehearse the Articles of thy Belief.

Answer.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead, he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Q. What dost thou chiefly learn in these Articles of thy Belief?

A. First, I learn to believe in God the Father, who hath made me, and all the world;

Secondly, in God the Son, who hath redeemed me, and all mankind;

Thirdly, in God the Holy Ghost, who sanctifieth me, and all the elect people of God.

Q. You said that your Godfathers and Godmothers did promise for you, that you should keep God's Commandments: Tell me how many there be?

A. Ten.

Q. Which be they?

Answer.

THE same which God spake in the twentieth chapter of Exodus, saying, I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

I. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

II. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me, and keep my Commandments.

III. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain.

IV. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

V. Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

VI. Thou shalt do no murder.

VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VIII. Thou shalt not steal.

IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

Q. What dost thou chiefly learn by these Commandments?

A. I learn two things: My duty towards God, and my duty towards my Neighbour.

Q. What is thy duty towards God?

A. My duty towards God, is to believe in him, to fear him, and to love him with all my heart, with all my mind, with all my soul, and with all my strength; to worship him, to give him thanks, to put my whole trust in him, to call upon him, to honour his holy Name and his Word, and to serve him truly all the days of my life.

Q. What is thy duty towards thy Neighbour?

A. My duty towards my Neighbour, is to love him as myself, and to do to all men as I would they should do unto me: To love, honour, and succour my father and mother: To honour and obey the King, and all that are put in authority under him: To submit myself to all my governors, teachers, spiritual pastors and masters: To order myself lowly and reverently to all my betters: To hurt no body by word or deed: To be

true and just in all my dealings: To bear no malice nor hatred in my heart: To keep my hands from picking and stealing, and my tongue from evil speaking, lying, and slandering: To keep my body in temperance, soberness, and chastity: Not to covet nor desire other men's goods; but to learn and labour truly to get mine own living, and to do my duty in that state of life unto which it shall please God to call me.

Catechist. My good Child, know this that thou art not able to do these things of thyself, nor to walk in the Commandments of God, and to serve him, without his special grace; which thou must learn at all times to call for by diligent prayer: Let me hear therefore, if thou canst say the Lord's Prayer.

Answer.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. *Amen.*

Q. What desirest thou of God in this Prayer?

A. I desire my Lord God our heavenly Father, who is the giver of all goodness, to send his grace unto me, and to all people; that we may worship him, serve him, and obey him, as we ought to do. And I pray unto God, that he will send us all things that be needful both for our souls and bodies; and that he will be merciful unto us, and forgive us our sins; and that it will please him to save and defend us in all dangers ghostly and bodily; and that he will keep us from all sin and wickedness, and from our ghostly enemy, and from everlasting death. And this I trust he will do of his mercy and goodness, through our Lord Jesus Christ: And therefore I say, Amen; So be it.

Question.

HOW many Sacraments hath Christ ordained in his Church?

A. Two only, as generally necessary to salvation; that is to say, Baptism, and the Supper of the Lord.

Q. What meanest thou by this word *Sacrament?*

A. I mean an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace given unto us, ordained by Christ himself, as a means whereby we receive the same, and a pledge to assure us thereof.

Q. How many parts are there in a Sacrament?

A. Two; the outward visible sign, and the inward spiritual grace.

Q. What is the outward visible sign, or form in Baptism.

A. Water; wherein the person is baptized, *In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.*

Q. What is the inward and spiritual grace?

A. A death unto sin, and a new birth unto righteousness: for being by nature born in sin, and the children of wrath, we are hereby made the children of grace.

Q. What is required of persons to be baptized?

A. Repentance, whereby they forsake sin; and Faith, whereby they stedfastly believe the promises of God made to them in that Sacrament.

Q. Why then are Infants baptized, when by reason of their tender age they cannot perform them?

A. Because they promise them both by their sureties; which promise, when they come to age, themselves are bound to perform.

Q. Why was the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ordained?

A. For the continual remembrance of the sacrifice of the death of Christ, and of the benefits which we receive thereby.

Q. What is the outward part, or sign of the Lord's Supper?

A. Bread and Wine, which the Lord hath commanded to be received.

Q. What is the inward part, or thing signified?

A. The Body and Blood of Christ, which are verily and indeed taken and received by the faithful in the Lord's Supper.

Q. What are the benefits, whereof we are partakers thereby?

A. The strengthening and refreshing of our souls by the Body and Blood of Christ, as our bodies are by the Bread and Wine.

Q. What is required of them who come to the Lord's Supper?

A. To examine themselves, whether they repent them truly of their former sins, stedfastly purposing to lead a new life; have a lively faith in God's mercy through Christ, with a thankful remembrance of his death; and be in charity with all men.

The Curate of every Parish shall diligently upon Sundays and Holy-Days, after the second Lesson at Evening Prayer, openly in the Church instruct and examine so many Children of his Parish sent unto him as he shall think convenient, in some part of this Catechism.

And all Fathers, Mothers, Masters, and Dames, shall cause their Children, Servants, and Apprentices (which have not learned their Catechism) to come to the Church at the time appointed, and obediently to hear, and be ordered by the Curate, until such time as they have learned all that is here appointed for them to learn.

So soon as Children are come to a competent age, and can say in their mother tongue, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and also can answer to the other Questions of this short Catechism; they shall be brought to the Bishop. And every one shall have a Godfather, or a Godmother, as a witness of their Confirmation.

And whensoever the Bishop shall give knowledge for Children to be brought unto him for their Confirmation, the Curate of every Parish shall either bring, or send in writing, with his hand subscribed thereunto, the Names of all such Persons within his Parish, as he shall think fit to be presented to the Bishop to be confirmed. And if the Bishop approve of them, he shall confirm them in manner following.

THE

ORDER OF CONFIRMATION,

OR LAYING ON OF HANDS UPON THOSE THAT ARE BAPTIZED, AND COME TO YEARS OF DISCRETION.

UPON the Day appointed, all that are to be then confirmed, being placed, and standing in order before the Bishop; he (or some other Minister appointed by him) shall read this Preface following.

TO the end that Confirmation may be ministered to the more edifying of such as shall receive it, the Church hath thought good to order, That none hereafter shall be confirmed, but such as can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and can also answer to such other Questions, as in the short Catechism are contained: which order is very convenient to be observed; to the end that children, being now come to the years of discretion, and having learned what their Godfathers and Godmothers promised for them in Baptism, they may themselves, with their own mouth and consent, openly before the Church, ratify and confirm the same; and also promise, that by the grace of God they will evermore endeavour themselves, faithfully to observe such things as they, by their own confession, have assented unto.

Then shall the Bishop say,

DO ye here in the presence of God, and of this Congregation, renew the solemn promise and vow, that was made in your name at your Baptism; ratifying and confirming the same in your own persons, and acknowledging yourselves bound to believe, and to do all those things which your Godfathers and Godmothers then undertook for you?

And every one shall audibly answer,
I do.

The Bishop.

OUR help is in the Name of the Lord;

Answer. Who hath made heaven and earth.

Bishop. Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

Answer. Henceforth, world without end.

Bishop. Lord, hear our prayers;

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Bishop. Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who hast vouchsafed to regenerate these thy servants by Water and the Holy Ghost, and hast given unto them forgiveness of all their sins; Strengthen them, we beseech thee, O Lord, with the Holy Ghost the Comforter, and daily increase in them thy manifold gifts of grace; the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness; and fill them, O Lord, with the spirit of thy holy fear, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Then all of them in order kneeling before the Bishop, he shall lay his hand upon the head of every one severally, saying,

DEFEND, O Lord, this thy child [*or this thy servant*] with thy heavenly grace, that *he* may continue thine for ever, and daily increase in thy Holy Spirit more and more, until *he* come unto thy everlasting kingdom. Amen.

Then shall the Bishop say,

The Lord be with you:
Answer. And with thy spirit.

And (all kneeling down) the Bishop shall add,

Let us pray.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

And this Collect.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who makest us both to will and to do those things that be good and acceptable unto thy divine Majesty; We make our humble supplications unto thee, for these thy servants, upon whom, after the example of thy holy Apostles, we have now laid our hands, to certify them (by this sign) of thy favour and gracious goodness towards them. Let thy fatherly hand, we beseech thee, ever be over them; let thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of thy Word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life, through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

OALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy Commandments; that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul, through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Then the Bishop shall bless them, saying thus,

THE Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

And there shall none be admitted to the Holy Communion, until such time as he be confirmed, or be ready and desirous to be confirmed.

SOLEMNIZATION OF MATRIMONY.

First the Banns of all that are to be married together must be published in the Church three several Sundays or Holy-Days, in the time of Divine Service, immediately before the Sentences for the Offertory; the Curate saying after the accustomed manner,

I PUBLISH the Banns of Marriage between *M.* of ——— and *N.* of ———. If any of you know cause or just impediment, why these two Persons should not be joined together in holy Matrimony, ye are to declare it: This is the first, [*second*, or *third*] time of asking.

And if the Persons that are to be married dwell in divers Parishes, the Banns must be asked in both Parishes; and the Curate of the one Parish shall not solemnize Matrimony betwixt them, without a certificate of the Banns being thrice asked from the Curate of the other Parish.

At the day and time appointed for Solemnization of Matrimony, the Persons to be married shall come into the body of the Church with their Friends and Neighbours: and there standing together, the Man on the right hand, and the Woman on the left, the Priest shall say,

DEARLY beloved, we are gathered together here in the sight of God, and in the face of this Congregation, to join together this Man and this Woman in holy Matrimony; which is an honourable estate, instituted of God in the time of man's innocency, signifying unto us the mystical union that is betwixt Christ and his Church: which holy estate Christ adorned and beautified with his presence, and first miracle that he wrought in Cana of Galilee; and is commended of Saint Paul to be honourable among all men: and therefore is not by any to be enterprized, nor taken in hand unadvisedly, lightly, or wantonly, to satisfy men's carnal lusts and appetites, like brute beasts that have no understanding; but reverently, discreetly, advisedly, soberly, and in the fear of God; duly considering the causes for which Matrimony was ordained.

First, it was ordained for the procreation of children, to be brought up in the fear and nurture of the Lord, and to the praise of his holy Name.

Secondly, it was ordained for a remedy against sin, and to avoid fornication, that such persons as have not the gift of continency might marry, and keep themselves undefiled members of Christ's body.

Thirdly, it was ordained for the mutual society, help, and comfort, that the one ought to have of the other, both in prosperity and adversity;

Into which holy estate these two Persons present come now to be joined. Therefore if any man can shew any just cause, why they may not lawfully be joined together, let him now speak, or else hereafter for ever hold his peace.

And also, speaking unto the Persons that shall be married, he shall say,

I REQUIRE and charge you both (as ye will answer at the dreadful day of judgement, when the secrets of all hearts shall be disclosed) that if either of you know any impediment, why ye may not be lawfully joined together in Matrimony, ye do now confess it. For be ye well assured, that so many as are coupled together otherwise than God's Word doth allow, are not joined together by God, neither is their Matrimony lawful.

At which day of Marriage, if any man do allege and declare any impediment, why they may not be coupled together in Matrimony by God's Law, or the Laws of this Realm; and will be bound, and sufficient Sureties with him, to the Parties; or else put in a caution (to the full value of such charges as the Persons to be married do thereby sustain) to prove his allegation; then the Solemnization must be deferred, until such time as the truth be tried.

If no impediment be alleged, then shall the Curate say unto the Man,

M. WILT thou have this Woman to thy wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of Matrimony? Wilt thou love her, comfort her, honour, and keep her in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all other, keep thee only unto her, so long as ye both shall live?

The Man shall answer, I will.

Then shall the Priest say unto the Woman,

N. WILT thou have this Man to thy wedded husband, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of Matrimony? Wilt thou obey him, serve him, love, honour, and keep him in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all other, keep thee only unto him, so long as ye both shall live?

The Woman shall answer, I will.

Then shall the Minister say,

Who giveth this Woman to be married to this Man?

Then shall they give their troth to each other in this manner:

The Minister receiving the Woman at her Father's or Friend's hands, shall cause the Man with his right hand to take the Woman by her right hand, and to say after him as followeth;

I *M.* take thee *N.* to my wedded wife, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance; and thereto I plight thee my troth.

Then shall they loose their hands; and the Woman with her right hand taking the Man by his right hand, shall likewise say after the Minister;

I *N.* take thee *M.* to my wedded husband, to have and to hold, from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love, cherish, and to obey, till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance; and thereto I give thee my troth.

Then shall they again loose their hands; and the Man shall give unto the Woman a Ring, laying the same upon the Book, with the accustomed duty to the Priest and Clerk. And the Priest taking the Ring, shall

deliver it unto the Man to put it upon the fourth finger of the Woman's left hand. And the Man holding the Ring there, and taught by the Priest, shall say,

WITH this Ring I thee wed, with my body I thee worship, and with all my worldly goods I thee endow: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then the Man leaving the Ring upon the fourth finger of the Woman's left hand, they shall both kneel down, and the Minister shall say,

Let us pray.

O ETERNAL God, Creator and Preserver of all mankind, giver of all spiritual grace, the author of everlasting life; Send thy blessing upon these thy servants, this Man and this Woman, whom we bless in thy Name: that as Isaac and Rebecca lived faithfully together, so these persons may surely perform and keep the vow and covenant betwixt them made, (whereof this Ring given and received is a token and pledge;) and may ever remain in perfect love and peace together, and live according to thy laws, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the Priest join their right hands together, and say,

Those whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder.

Then shall the Minister speak unto the People.

FORASMUCH as *M.* and *N.* have consented together in holy wedlock, and have witnessed the same before God and this company, and thereto have given and pledged their troth either to other, and have declared the same by giving and receiving of a Ring, and by joining of hands; I pronounce that they be Man and Wife together, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

And the Minister shall add this Blessing.

GOD the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with his favour look upon you; and so fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace, that ye may so live together in this life, that in the world to come ye may have life everlasting. *Amen.*

Then the Minister or Clerks, going to the Lord's Table, shall say or sing this Psalm following:

Psalm cxxviii. *Beati omnes.*

BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord: and walk in his ways.

For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine: upon the walls of thine house;

Thy children like the olive-branches: round about thy table.

Lo, thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the Lord.

The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee: that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long;

Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children: and peace upon Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. *Amen.*

Or this Psalm.

Psalm lxvii. *Deus misereatur.*

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.

That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God : let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

The Psalm ended, and the Man and the Woman kneeling before the Lord's Table, the Priest standing at the Table, and turning his face towards them, shall say,

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy servant, and thy handmaid;

Answer. Who put their trust in thee.

Minister. O Lord, send them help from thy holy place;

Answer. And evermore defend them.

Minister. Be unto them a tower of strength;

Answer. From the face of their enemy.

Minister. O Lord, hear our prayer;

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister.

O GOD of Abraham, God of Isaac, God of Jacob, bless these thy servants, and sow the seed of eternal life in their hearts; that whatsoever in thy holy Word they shall profitably learn, they may indeed fulfil the same. Look, O Lord, mercifully upon them from heaven, and bless them. And as thou didst send thy blessing upon Abraham and Sarah, to their great comfort; so vouchsafe to send thy blessing upon these thy servants, that they, obeying thy will, and alway being in safety under thy protection, may abide in thy love unto their lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

This Prayer next following shall be omitted where the Woman is past Child-bearing.

O MERCIFUL Lord and heavenly Father, by whose gracious gift mankind is increased; We beseech thee, assist with thy blessing these two Persons; that they may both be fruitful in procreation of children, and also live together so long in godly love and honesty, that they may see their children christianly

and virtuously brought up, to thy praise and honour, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, who by thy mighty power hast made all things of nothing; who also (after other things set in order) didst appoint, that out of man (created after thine own image and similitude) woman should take her beginning; and knitting them together, didst teach that it should never be lawful to put asunder those whom thou by Matrimony hadst made one: O God, who hast consecrated the state of Matrimony to such an excellent mystery, that in it is signified and represented the spiritual marriage and unity betwixt Christ and his Church; Look mercifully upon these thy servants, that both this Man may love his Wife, according to thy Word, as Christ did love his spouse the Church; who gave himself for it, loving and cherishing it even as his own flesh: and also that this Woman may be loving and amiable, faithful and obedient to her Husband; and in all quietness, sobriety, and peace, be a follower of holy and godly matrons. O Lord, bless them both, and grant them to inherit thy everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the Priest say,

ALMIGHTY God, who at the beginning did create our first parents, Adam and Eve, and did sanctify and join them together in marriage; Pour upon you the riches of his grace, sanctify and bless you, that ye may please him both in body and soul, and live together in holy love unto your lives' end. *Amen.*

After which, if there be no Sermon declaring the duties of Man and Wife, the Minister shall read as followeth.

ALL ye that are married, or that intend to take the holy estate of Matrimony upon you, hear what the holy Scripture doth say, as touching the duty of husbands towards their wives, and wives towards their husbands.

St. Paul, in his Epistle to the Ephesians, the fifth chapter, doth give this commandment to all married men; Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the Church, and gave himself for it; that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water, by the Word; that he might present it to himself a glorious Church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy, and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife, loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh, but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the Church: for we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the Church. Nevertheless, let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself.

Likewise the same Saint Paul, writing to the Colossians, speaketh thus to all men that are married; Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them.

Hear also what Saint Peter, the Apostle of Christ, who was

himself a married man, saith unto them that are married; Ye husbands, dwell with your wives according to knowledge; giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

Hitherto ye have heard the duty of the husband toward the wife. Now likewise, ye wives, hear and learn your duties toward your husbands, even as it is plainly set forth in holy Scripture.

Saint Paul, in the aforenamed Epistle to the Ephesians, teacheth you thus; Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the Church: and he is the Saviour of the body. Therefore as the Church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. And again he saith, Let the wife see that she reverence her husband.

And in his Epistle to the Colossians, Saint Paul giveth you this short lesson; Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.

Saint Peter also doth instruct you very well, thus saying; Ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives; while they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear. Whose adorning, let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; but let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price. For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands; even as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord; whose daughters ye are as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.

It is convenient that the new married Persons should receive the Holy Communion at the time of their Marriage, or at the first opportunity after their Marriage.

THE VISITATION OF THE SICK.

When any Person is sick, notice shall be given thereof to the Minister of the Parish; who, coming into the sick Person's house, shall say,

PEACE be to this house, and to all that dwell in it.

When he cometh into the sick Man's presence, he shall say, kneeling down,

REMEMBER not, Lord, our iniquities, nor the iniquities of our forefathers: Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood; and be not angry with us for ever.

Answ. Spare us, good Lord.

Then the Minister shall say,

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy servant;

Answer. Which putteth *his* trust in thee.

Minister. Send *him* help from thy holy place;

Ans. And evermore mightily defend *him.*

Minister. Let the enemy have no advantage of *him;*

Answer. Nor the wicked approach to hurt *him.*

Minister. Be unto *him,* O Lord, a strong tower;

Answer. From the face of *his* enemy.

Minister. O Lord, hear our prayers;

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister.

O LORD, look down from heaven behold, visit, and relieve this thy servant: Look upon *him* with the eyes of thy mercy, give *him* comfort and sure confidence in thee, defend *him* from the danger of the enemy, and keep *him* in perpetual peace and safety, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

HEAR us, Almighty and most merciful God and Saviour; extend thy accustomed goodness to this thy servant, who is grieved with sickness: Sanctify, we beseech thee, this thy fatherly correction to *him;* that the sense of *his* weakness may add strength to *his* faith, and seriousness to *his* repentance: That if it shall be thy good pleasure to restore *him* to *his* former health, *he* may lead the residue of *his* life in thy fear, and to thy glory: or else, give *him* grace so to take thy visitation, that after this painful life ended, *he* may dwell with thee in life everlasting, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the Minister exhort the sick Person after this form, or other like.

DEARLY beloved, know this, that Almighty God is the Lord of life and death, and of all things to them pertaining, as youth, strength, health, age, weakness, and sickness. Wherefore, whatsoever your sickness is, know you certainly, that it is God's visitation. And for what cause soever this sickness is sent unto you; whether it be to try your patience for the example of others, and that your faith may de found in the day of the Lord, laudable, glorious, and honourable, to the increase of glory and endless felicity; or else it be sent unto you to correct and amend in you whatsoever doth offend the eyes of your heavenly Father; know you certainly, that if you truly repent you of your sins, and bear your sickness patiently, trusting in God's mercy, for his dear Son Jesus Christ's sake, and render unto him humble thanks for his fatherly visitation, submitting yourself wholly unto his will, it shall turn to your profit, and help you forward in the right way that leadeth unto everlasting life.

If the Person visited be very sick, then the Curate may end his Exhortation in this place, or else proceed.

TAKE therefore in good part the chastisement of the Lord: For (as Saint Paul saith in the twelfth Chapter to the Hebrews) "whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you, as with sons; for what son is he, whom the father chasteneth not? But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. Furthermore, we have had fathers of our flesh, which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness." These words, good *brother*, are written in holy Scripture for our comfort and instruction; that we should patiently, and with thanksgiving, bear our heavenly Father's correction, whensoever by any manner of adversity it shall please his gracious goodness to visit us. And there should be no greater comfort to Christian persons, than to be made like unto Christ, by suffering patiently adversities, troubles, and sicknesses. For he himself went not up to joy, but first he suffered pain; he entered not into his glory, before he was crucified. So truly our way to eternal joy is to suffer here with Christ; and our door to enter into eternal life, is gladly to die with Christ; that we may rise again from death, and dwell with him in everlasting life. Now, therefore, taking your sickness, which is thus profitable for you, patiently; I exhort you, in the Name of God, to remember the profession which you made unto God in your Baptism. And forasmuch as after this life there is an account to be given unto the righteous Judge, by whom all must be judged without respect of persons; I require you to examine yourself and your estate, both toward God and man; so that accusing and condemning yourself for your own faults, you may find mercy at our heavenly Father's hand for Christ's sake, and not be accused and condemned in that fearful judgement. Therefore I shall rehearse to you the Articles of our Faith; that you may know whether you do believe as a Christian man should, or no.

Here the Minister shall rehearse the Articles of the Faith, saying thus:

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord? And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?

And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the remission of sins; the resurrection of the flesh; and everlasting life after death?

The sick Person shall answer,
All this I stedfastly believe.

Then shall the Minister examine whether he repent him truly of his sins, and be in charity with all the world; exhorting him to forgive, from the bottom of his heart, all Persons that have offended him: and if he hath offended any other, to ask them forgiveness; and where he hath done injury or wrong to any man, that he make amends to the uttermost of his power. And if he hath not before disposed of his goods, let him then be admonished to make his Will, and to declare his Debts, what he oweth, and what is owing unto him; for the better discharging of his Conscience, and the quietness of his Executors. But men should often be put in remembrance to take order for the settling of their temporal estates whilst they are in health.

These words, before rehearsed, may be said before the Minister begin his Prayer, as he shall see cause.

The Minister should not omit earnestly to move such sick Persons, as are of ability, to be liberal to the Poor.

Here shall the sick Person be moved to make a special Confession of his sins, if he feel his Conscience troubled with any weighty matter.

After which Confession the Priest shall absolve him (if he humbly and heartily desire it) after this sort:

OUR Lord Jesus Christ, who hath left power to his Church to absolve all sinners who truly repent, and believe in him; of his great mercy forgive thee thine offences: and by his authority committed to me, I absolve thee from all thy sins, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

And then the Priest shall say the Collect following.

Let us pray.

O MOST merciful God, who according to the multitude of thy mercies dost so put away the sins of those who truly repent, that thou rememberest them no more; Open thine eye of mercy upon this thy servant, who most earnestly desireth pardon and forgiveness. Renew in *him*, most loving Father, whatsoever hath been decayed by the fraud and malice of the devil, or by *his* own carnal will and frailness; preserve and continue this sick member in the unity of the Church; consider *his* contrition accept *his* tears, asswage *his* pain, as shall seem to thee most expedient for *him*. And forasmuch as *he* putteth *his* full trust only in thy mercy, impute not unto *him his* former sins; but strengthen *him* with thy blessed Spirit; and when thou art pleased to take *him* hence, take *him* unto thy favour, through the merits of thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the Minister say this Psalm.

Ps. lxxi. *In te, Domine, speravi.*

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust; let me never be put to confusion: but rid me, and deliver me in thy righteousness; incline thine ear unto me, and save me.

Be thou my strong hold, whereunto I may alway resort: thou hast promised to help me; for thou art my house of defence, and my castle.

Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly: out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

For thou, O Lord God, art the thing that I long for : thou art my hope, even from my youth.

Through thee have I been holden up, ever since I was born : thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; my praise shall be always of thee.

I am become as it were a monster unto many : but my sure trust is in thee.

O let my mouth be filled with thy praise : that I may sing of thy glory and honour all the day long.

Cast me not away in the time of age : forsake me not when my strength faileth me.

For mine enemies speak against me; and they that lay wait for my soul, take their counsel together, saying : God hath forsaken him; persecute him, and take him; for there is none to deliver him.

Go not far from me, O God : my God, haste thee to help me.

Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul : let them be covered with shame and dishonour that seek to do me evil.

As for me, I will patiently abide alway : and will praise thee more and more.

My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation : for I know no end thereof.

I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God : and will make mention of thy righteousness only.

Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now : therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.

Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed : until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.

Thy righteousness, O God, is very high : and great things are they that thou hast done; O God, who is like unto thee!

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

Adding this:

O SAVIOUR of the world, who by thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us; save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

Then shall the Minister say,

THE Almighty Lord, who is a most strong tower to all them that put their trust in him; to whom all things in heaven, in earth, and under the earth, do bow and obey, be now and evermore thy defence, and make thee know and feel, that there is none other name under heaven given to man, in whom, and through whom, thou mayest receive health and salvation, but only the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

And after that shall say,

UNTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit thee. The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

A Prayer for a sick Child.

O ALMIGHTY God, and merciful Father, to whom alone belong the issues of life and death: Look down from heaven, we humbly beseech thee,

with the eyes of mercy upon this Child, now lying upon the bed of sickness: Visit *him*, O Lord, with thy salvation; deliver *him* in thy good appointed time from *his* bodily pain, and save *his* soul for thy mercies' sake: That if it shall be thy pleasure to prolong *his* days here on earth, *he* may live to thee, and be an instrument of thy glory, by serving thee faithfully, and doing good in *his* generation; or else receive *him* into those heavenly habitations, where the souls of them that sleep in the Lord Jesus enjoy perpetual rest and felicity: Grant this, O Lord, for thy mercies' sake, in the same thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

A Prayer for a sick Person, when there appeareth small hope of recovery.

O FATHER of mercies, and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need; We fly unto thee for succour in behalf of this thy servant, here lying under thy hand in great weakness of body. Look graciously upon *him*, O Lord; and the more the outward man decayeth, strengthen *him*, we beseech thee, so much the more continually with thy grace and Holy Spirit in the inner man. Give *him* unfeigned repentance for all the errors of *his* life past, and stedfast faith in thy Son Jesus; that *his* sins may be done away by thy mercy, and *his* pardon sealed in heaven, before *he* go hence, and be no more seen. We know, O Lord, that there is no word impossible with thee; and that if thou wilt, thou canst even yet raise *him* up, and grant *him* a longer continuance amongst us: Yet forasmuch as in all appearance the time of *his* dissolution draweth near; so fit and prepare *him* we beseech thee, against the hour of death; that after *his* departure hence in peace, and in thy favour, *his* soul may be received into thine everlasting kingdom, through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ thine only Son, our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

A commendatory Prayer for a sick Person at the point of departure.

O ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of just men made perfect, after they are delivered from their earthly prisons; We humbly commend the soul of this thy servant, our dear *brother*, into thy hands, as into the hands of a faithful Creator and most merciful Saviour; most humbly beseeching thee, that it may be precious in thy sight. Wash it, we pray thee, in the blood of that immaculate Lamb, that was slain to take away the sins of the world; that whatsoever defilements it may have contracted in the midst of this miserable and naughty world, through the lusts of the flesh, or the wiles of Satan, being purged and done away, it may be presented pure and without spot before thee. And teach us, who survive, in this and other like daily spectacles of mortality, to see how frail and uncertain our own condition is; and so to number our days, that we may seriously apply our hearts to that holy and heavenly wisdom, whilst we live here, which may in the end bring us to life everlasting, through the merits of Jesus Christ thine only Son our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Persons troubled in mind or in conscience.

O BLESSED Lord, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comforts; We beseech thee, look down in pity and compassion upon this thy afflicted servant. Thou writest bitter things against *him*, and makest *him* to possess *his* former iniquities; thy wrath lieth hard upon *him*, and *his* soul is full of trouble: But, O merciful God, who hast written thy holy Word for our learning, that we, through patience and comfort of thy holy Scriptures, might have hope; give *him* a right understanding of *himself*, and of thy threats and promises; that *he* may neither cast away *his* confidence in thee, nor place it any where but in thee. Give *him* strength against all *his* temptations, and heal all *his* distempers. Break not the bruised reed, nor quench the smoking flax. Shut not up thy tender mercies in displeasure; but make *him* to hear of joy and gladness, that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice. Deliver *him* from fear of the enemy, and lift up the light of thy countenance upon *him*, and give *him* peace, through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE

COMMUNION OF THE SICK.

FORASMUCH as all mortal men be subject to many sudden perils, diseases, and sicknesses, and ever uncertain what time they shall depart out of this life; therefore, to the intent they may be always in a readiness to die, whensoever it shall please Almighty God to call them, the Curates shall diligently from time to time (but especially in the time of pestilence, or other infectious sickness) exhort their Parishioners to the often receiving of the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ, when it shall be publickly administered in the Church; that so doing, they may, in case of sudden visitation, have the less cause to be disquieted for lack of the same. But if the sick Person be not able to come to the Church, and yet is desirous to receive the Communion in his house; then he must give timely notice to the Curate, signifying also how many there are to communicate with him, (which shall be three, or two at the least;) and having a convenient place in the sick Man's house, with all things necessary so prepared, that the Curate may reverently minister; he shall there celebrate the Holy Communion, beginning with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, here following.

The Collect.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, Maker of mankind, who dost correct those whom thou dost love, and chastise every one whom thou dost receive; We beseech thee to have mercy upon this thy servant visited with thine hand; and to grant that *he* may take *his* sickness patiently, and recover *his* bodily health, if it be thy gracious will; and whensoever *his* soul shall depart from the body, it may be without spot presented unto thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Heb. xii. 5.

MY son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him. For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

The Gospel. John v. 24.

VERILY, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

After which the Priest shall proceed according to the form before prescribed for the Holy Communion, beginning at these words [Ye that do truly repent, &c.]

At the time of the distribution of the Holy Sacrament, the Priest shall first receive the Communion himself, and after minister unto them that are appointed to communicate with the Sick, and last of all to the sick Person.

But if a man, either by reason of extremity of sickness, or for want of warning in due time to the Curate, or for lack of company to receive with him, or by any other just impediment, do not receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood; the Curate shall instruct him, that if he do truly repent him of his sins, and stedfastly believe that Jesus Christ hath suffered death upon the cross for him, and shed his Blood for his redemption; earnestly remembering the benefits he hath thereby, and giving him hearty thanks therefore; he doth eat and drink the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ profitably to his soul's health, although he do not receive the Sacrament with his mouth.

When the sick Person is visited, and receiveth the Holy Communion all at one time, then the Priest, for more expedition, shall cut off the Form of the Visitation at the Psalm [In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, &c.] *and go straight to the Communion.*

In the time of the Plague, Sweat, or such other like contagious times of sickness or diseases, when none of the Parish or Neighbours can be gotten to communicate with the Sick in their houses, for fear of the infection; upon special request of the diseased, the Minister may only communicate with him.

THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD.

HERE is to be noted, That the Office ensuing is not to be used for any that die unbaptized, or excommunicate, or have laid violent hands upon themselves.

The Priest and Clerks meeting the Corpse at the entrance of the Church-yard, and going before it, either into the Church, or towards the Grave, shall say, or sing,

I AM the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me, shall never die. *John* xi. 25, 26.

I KNOW that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though after my skin, worms destroy this body; yet in my flesh shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes

shall behold, and not another. *Job* xix. 25, 26, 27.

WE brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the Name of the Lord. 1 *Tim.* vi. 7. *Job* i. 21.

After they are come into the Church, shall be read one or both of the Psalms following.

Ps. xxxix. *Dixi, custodiam.*

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways : that I offend not in my tongue;

I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle : while the ungodly is in my sight.

I held my tongue, and spake nothing : I kept silence, yea, even from good words; but it was pain and grief to me.

My heart was hot within me; and while I was thus musing, the fire kindled : and at the last I spake with my tongue;

Lord, let me know my end, and the number of my days : that I may be certified how long I have to live.

Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long : and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain : he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.

And now, Lord, what is my hope : truly my hope is even in thee.

Deliver me from all mine offences : and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

I became dumb, and opened not my mouth : for it was thy doing.

Take thy plague away from me : I am even consumed by means of thy heavy hand.

When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment : every man therefore is but vanity.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling : hold not thy peace at my tears.

For I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner : as all my fathers were.

O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength : before I go hence, and be no more seen.

Glory be to the Father, &c

As it was in the beginning, &c.

Ps. xc. *Domine, refugium.*

LORD, thou hast been our refuge : from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made : thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.

Thou turnest man to destruction : again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday : seeing that is past as a watch in the night.

As soon as thou scatterest them, they are even as a sleep : and fade away suddenly like the grass.

In the morning it is green, and groweth up : but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.

For we consume away in thy displeasure : and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.

Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee : and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

For when thou art angry, all

our days are gone : we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong, that they come to fourscore years : yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

But who regardeth the power of thy wrath : for even thereafter as a man feareth, so is thy displeasure.

So teach us to number our days : that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last : and be gracious unto thy servants.

O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon : so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Comfort us again, now after the time that thou hast plagued us : and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.

Shew thy servants thy work : and their children thy glory.

And the glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us : prosper thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper thou our handy-work.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

Then shall follow the Lesson, taken out of the fifteenth Chapter of the former Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

1 Cor. xv. 20.

NOW is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the first-fruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith, All things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all. Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? Why are they then baptized for the dead? and why stand we in jeopardy every hour? I protest by your rejoicing, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily. If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not? Let us eat and drink; for to-morrow we die. Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners. Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame. But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die: and that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain: but God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed

his own body. All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds. There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial; but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory. So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: it is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: it is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul, the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit, that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. The first man is of the earth, earthy; the second man is the Lord from heaven. As is the earthy, such are they that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality; then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

When they come to the Grave, while the Corpse is made ready to be laid into the earth, the Priest shall say, or the Priest and Clerks shall sing:

MAN that is born of a woman, hath but a short time to live, and is full of misery. He cometh up, and is cut down like a flower; he fleeth as it were a shadow, and never continueth in one stay.

In the midst of life we are in death: of whom may we seek for succour, but of thee, O Lord, who for our sins art justly displeased?

Yet, O Lord God most holy, O Lord most mighty, O holy and most merciful Saviour, deliver us not into the bitter pains of eternal death.

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears to our prayers; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and merciful Saviour, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not at our last hour for any pains of death to fall from thee.

Then while the earth shall be cast upon the Body by some standing by, the Priest shall say,

FORASMUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God of his great mercy to take unto himself the soul of our dear *brother* here departed, we therefore commit *his* body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust; in sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life, through our Lord Jesus Christ; who shall change our vile body, that it may be like unto his glorious body, according to the mighty working, whereby he is able to subdue all things to himself.

Then shall be said, or sung,

I HEARD a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, From henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labours. *Rev.* xiv. 13.

Then shall the Priest say,

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil Amen.

Priest.

ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of them that depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; We give thee hearty thanks, for that it hath pleased thee to deliver this our *brother* out of the miseries of this sinful world; beseeching thee, that it may please thee of thy gracious goodness, shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; that we, with all those that are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Collect.

O MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the resurrection and the life; in whom whosoever believeth shall live, though he die; and whosoever liveth and believeth in him, shall not die eternally; who also hath taught us, by his holy Apostle Saint Paul, not to be sorry, as men without hope, for them that sleep in him; We meekly, beseech thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness; that when we shall depart this life, we may rest in thee, as our hope is this our *brother* doth; and that at the general resurrection in the last day, we may be found acceptable in thy sight, and receive that blessing, which thy well-beloved Son shall then pronounce to all that love and fear thee, saying, Come, ye blessed children of my Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world: Grant this, we beseech thee, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ our Mediator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

THE

THANKSGIVING OF WOMEN AFTER CHILD-BIRTH,

COMMONLY CALLED

THE CHURCHING OF WOMEN.

THE Woman, at the usual time after her Delivery, shall come into the Church decently apparelled, and there shall kneel down in some convenient place, as hath been accustomed, or as the Ordinary shall direct: and then the Priest shall say unto her,

FORASMUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God of his goodness to give you safe deliverance, and hath preserved you in the great danger of child-birth; you shall therefore give hearty thanks unto God, and say;

Then shall the Priest say,

Psalm cxvi. *Dilexi, quoniam.*

I AM well pleased: that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;

That he hath inclined his ear unto me: therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

The snares of death compassed me round about: and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

I found trouble and heaviness; and I called upon the Name of the Lord: O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous: yea, our God is merciful.

The Lord preserveth the simple: I was in misery, and he helped me.

Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul: for the Lord hath rewarded thee.

And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death: mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

I will walk before the Lord: in the land of the living.

I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled: I said in my haste, All men are liars.

What reward shall I give unto the Lord: for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

I will receive the cup of salvation: and call upon the Name of the Lord.

I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people: in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

Or,

Psalm cxxvii. *Nisi Dominus.*

EXCEPT the Lord build the house: their labour is but lost that build it.

Except the Lord keep the city: the watchman waketh but in vain.

It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness: for so he giveth his beloved sleep.

Lo, children and the fruit of the womb: are an heritage and gift, that cometh of the Lord.

Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant: even so are the young children.

Happy is the man, that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

Then the Priest shall say,

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save this woman thy servant;

Answer. Who putteth her trust in thee.

Minister. Be thou to her a strong tower;

Answer. From the face of her enemy.

Minist. Lord, hear our prayer;

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister. Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY God, we give thee humble thanks, for that thou hast vouchsafed to deliver this woman thy servant from the great pain and peril of Childbirth. Grant, we beseech thee, most merciful Father, that she, through thy help, may both faithfully live, and walk according to thy will in this life present, and also may be partaker of everlasting glory in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Woman that cometh to give her thanks, must offer accustomed offerings; and if there be a Communion, it is convenient that she receive the Holy Communion.

A COMMINATION,

OR

DENOUNCING OF GOD'S ANGER AND JUDGEMENTS AGAINST SINNERS, WITH CERTAIN PRAYERS TO BE USED ON THE FIRST DAY OF LENT, AND AT OTHER TIMES, AS THE ORDINARY SHALL APPOINT.

AFTER Morning Prayer, the Litany ended according to the accustomed manner, the Priest shall, in the Reading-Pew or Pulpit, say,

BRETHREN, in the primitive Church there was a godly discipline, that at the beginning of Lent, such persons as stood convicted of notorious sin, were put to open penance, and punished in this world, that their souls might be saved in the day of the Lord; and that others, admonished by their example, might be the more afraid to offend.

Instead whereof (until the said discipline may be restored again, which is much to be wished) it is thought good, that at this time, in the presence of you all, should be read the general sentences of God's cursing against impenitent

sinners, gathered out of the seven and twentieth chapter of Deuteronomy, and other places of Scripture; and that ye should answer to every sentence, *Amen*: To the intent, that being admonished of the great indignation of God against sinners, ye may the rather be moved to earnest and true repentance; and may walk more warily in these dangerous days; fleeing from such vices, for which ye affirm with your own mouths the curse of God to be due.

CURSED is the man that maketh any carved or molten image, to worship it.

And the People shall answer and say,
AMEN.

Minister. Cursed is he that curseth his father or mother.

Answer. Amen.

Min. Cursed is he that removeth his neighbour's landmark.

Answ. Amen.

Min. Cursed is he that maketh the blind to go out of his way.

Answ. Amen.

Min. Cursed is he that perverteth the judgement of the stranger, the fatherless, and widow.

Answ. Amen.

Min. Cursed is he that smiteth his neighbour secretly.

Answ. Amen.

Min. Cursed is he that lieth with his neighbour's wife

Answ. Amen.

Min. Cursed is he that taketh reward to slay the innocent.

Answ. Amen.

Min. Cursed is he that putteth his trust in man, and taketh man for his defence, and in his heart goeth from the Lord.

Answ. Amen.

Min. Cursed are the unmerciful, fornicators, and adulterers, covetous persons, idolaters, slanderers, drunkards, and extortioners.

Answ. Amen.

Minister.

NOW seeing that all they are accursed (as the prophet David beareth witness) who do err and go astray from the commandments of God, let us (remembering the dreadful judgement hanging over our heads, and always ready to fall upon us) return unto our Lord God, with all contrition and meekness of heart; bewailing and lamenting our sinful life, acknowledging and confessing our offences, and seeking to bring forth worthy fruits of penance. For now is the axe put unto the root of the trees; so that every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit, is hewn down and cast into the fire. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God: He shall pour down rain upon the sinners, snares, fire and brimstone, storm and tempest; this shall be their portion to drink. For, lo, the Lord is come out of his place, to visit the wickedness of such as dwell upon the earth. But who may abide the day of his coming? Who shall be able to endure when he appeareth? His fan is in his hand, and he will purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the barn; but he will burn the chaff with unquenchable fire. The day of the Lord cometh as a thief in the night: and when men shall say, Peace, and all things are safe; then shall sudden destruction come upon them, as sorrow cometh upon a woman travailing with child, and they

shall not escape. Then shall appear the wrath of God in the day of vengeance, which obstinate sinners, through the stubbornness of their heart, have heaped upon themselves; which despised the goodness, patience, and long-suffering of God, when he calleth them continually to repentance. Then shall they call upon me (saith the Lord), but I will not hear; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me; and that because they hated knowledge, and received not the fear of the Lord; but abhorred my counsel, and despised my correction. Then shall it be too late to knock, when the door shall be shut; and too late to cry for mercy, when it is the time of justice. O terrible voice of most just judgement, which shall be pronounced upon them, when it shall be said unto them, Go, ye cursed, into the fire everlasting, which is prepared for the devil and his angels! Therefore, brethren, take we heed betime, while the day of salvation lasteth; for the night cometh, when none can work. But let us, while we have the light, believe in the light, and walk as children of the light; that we be not cast into utter darkness, where is weeping and gnashing of teeth. Let us not abuse the goodness of God, who calleth us mercifully to amendment; and of his endless pity promiseth us forgiveness of that which is past, if with a perfect and true heart we return unto him. For though our sins be as red as scarlet, they shall be made white as snow; and though they be like purple, yet they shall be made white as wool. Turn ye (saith the Lord) from all your wickedness, and your sins shall not be your destruction. Cast away from you all your ungodliness that ye have done; make you new hearts and a new spirit: Wherefore will ye die, O ye house of Israel? seeing that I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord God: Turn ye then, and ye shall live. Although we have sinned, yet have we an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins. For he was wounded for our offences, and smitten for our wickedness. Let us therefore return unto him, who is the merciful receiver of all true penitent sinners; assuring ourselves that he is ready to receive us, and most willing to pardon us, if we come unto him with faithful repentance; if we submit ourselves unto him, and from henceforth walk in his ways; if we will take his easy yoke and light burden upon us, to follow him in lowliness, patience, and charity, and be ordered by the governance of his Holy Spirit; seeking always his glory, and serving him duly in our vocation with thanksgiving. This if we do, Christ will deliver us from the curse of the law, and from the extreme malediction which shall light upon them that shall be set on the left hand; and he will set us on his right hand, and give us the gracious benediction of his Father, commanding us to take possession of his glorious kingdom: unto which he vouchsafe to bring us all, for his infinite mercy. *Amen.*

Then shall they all kneel upon their knees; and the Priest and Clerks kneeling in the place where they are accustomed to say the Litany, shall say this Psalm.

Psalm li. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness: according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

Wash me throughly from my wickedness: and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults: and my sin is ever before me.

Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judged.

Behold, I was shapen in wickedness: and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts: and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness: that the bones, which thou hast broken, may rejoice.

Turn thy face from my sins: and put out all my misdeeds.

Make me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

O give me the comfort of thy help again: and stablish me with thy free Spirit.

Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked: and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health: and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.

Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord: and my mouth shall shew thy praise.

For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee: but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.

The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

O be favourable and gracious unto Sion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations: then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy servants;

Answer. That put their trust in thee.

Minister. Send unto them help from above;

Answ. And evermore mightily defend them.

Minister. Help us, O God our Saviour.

Answer. And for the glory of thy name deliver us; be merciful to us sinners, for thy name's sake.

Minister. O Lord, hear our prayer;

Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Minister. Let us pray.

O LORD, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto thee; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful pardon may be absolved, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O MOST mighty God, and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made; who wouldest not the death of a sinner, but that he should rather turn from his sin, and be saved; Mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Thy property is always to have mercy; to thee only it appertaineth to forgive sins. Spare us therefore, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed; enter not into judgement with thy servants, who are vile earth, and miserable sinners; but so turn thine anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our vileness, and truly repent us of our faults; and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with thee in the world to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the People say this that followeth, after the Minister.

TURN thou us, O good Lord, and so shall we be turned. Be favourable, O Lord, be favourable to thy people, who turn to thee in weeping, fasting, and praying: For thou art a merciful God, full of compassion, long-suffering, and of great pity. Thou sparest when we deserve punishment, And in thy wrath thinkest upon mercy. Spare thy people, good Lord, spare them; And let not thine heritage be brought to confusion. Hear us, O Lord, for thy mercy is great; and after the multitude of thy mercies look upon us, Through the merits and mediation of thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then the Minister alone shall say,

THE Lord bless us, and keep us; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace now and for evermore. *Amen.*

THE PSALTER,

OR

PSALMS OF DAVID,

POINTED AS THEY ARE TO BE SUNG
OR SAID IN CHURCHES.

THE FIRST DAY.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm i. *Beatus vir, qui non abiit.*

BLESSED is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners : and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful;

2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord : and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.

3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side : that will bring forth his fruit in due season.

4 His leaf also shall not wither : and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

5 As for the ungodly, it is not so with them : but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.

6 Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgement : neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

7 But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous : and the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Ps. ii. *Quare fremuerunt gentes?*

WHY do the heathen so furiously rage together: and why do the people imagine a vain thing?

2 The kings of the earth stand up, and the rulers take counsel together : against the Lord, and against his Anointed.

3 Let us break their bonds asunder : and cast away their cords from us.

4 He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn : the Lord shall have them in derision.

5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath : and vex them in his sore displeasure.

6 Yet have I set my King : upon my holy hill of Sion.

7 I will preach the law, whereof the Lord hath said unto me : Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

8 Desire of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance : and the utmost parts of the earth for thy possession.

9 Thou shalt bruise them with a rod of iron : and break them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings : be learned, ye that are judges of the earth.

11 Serve the Lord in fear : and rejoice unto him with reverence.

12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and so ye perish from the right way : if his wrath be kindled, (yea, but a little)

blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

Ps. iii. *Domine, quid multiplicati?*

LORD, how are they increased that trouble me : many are they that rise against me.

2 Many one there be that say of my soul : There is no help for him in his God.

3 But thou, O Lord, art my defender : thou art my worship, and the lifter up of my head.

4 I did call upon the Lord with my voice : and he heard me out of his holy hill.

5 I laid me down and slept, and rose up again : for the Lord sustained me.

6 I will not be afraid for ten thousands of the people : that have set themselves against me round about.

7 Up, Lord, and help me, O my God : for thou smitest all mine enemies upon the cheek-bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.

8 Salvation belongeth unto the Lord : and thy blessing is upon thy people.

Ps. iv. *Cum invocarem.*

HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness : thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.

2 O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour : and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing?

3 Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man that is godly : when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

4 Stand in awe, and sin not : commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.

5 Offer the sacrifice of righteousness : and put your trust in the Lord.

6 There be many that say : Who will shew us any good?

7 Lord, lift thou up : the light of thy countenance upon us.

8 Thou hast put gladness in my heart : since the time that their corn, and wine, and oil increased.

9 I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest : for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

Ps. v. *Verba mea auribus.*

PONDER my words, O Lord : consider my meditation.

2 O hearken thou unto the voice of my calling, my King, and my God : for unto thee will I make my prayer.

3 My voice shalt thou hear betimes, O Lord : early in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.

4 For thou art the God that hast no pleasure in wickedness : neither shall any evil dwell with thee.

5 Such as be foolish shall not stand in thy sight : for thou hatest all them that work vanity.

6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing : the Lord will abhor both the blood-thirsty and deceitful man.

7 But as for me, I will come into thine house, even upon the multitude of thy mercy : and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.

8 Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness, because of mine enemies : make thy way plain before my face.

9 For there is no faithfulness in his mouth : their inward parts are very wickedness.

10 Their throat is an open

sepulchre : they flatter with their tongue.

11 Destroy thou them, O God; let them perish through their own imaginations : cast them out in the multitude of their ungodliness; for they have rebelled against thee.

12 And let all them that put their trust in thee rejoice : they shall ever be giving of thanks, because thou defendest them; they that love thy Name shall be joyful in thee.

13 For thou, Lord, wilt give thy blessing unto the righteous : and with thy favourable kindness wilt thou defend him as with a shield.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm vi. *Domine, ne in furore.*

O LORD, rebuke me not in thine indignation : neither chasten me in thy displeasure.

2 Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak : O Lord, heal me, for my bones are vexed.

3 My soul also is sore troubled : but, Lord, how long wilt thou punish me?

4 Turn thee, O Lord, and deliver my soul : O save me for thy mercies' sake.

5 For in death no man remembereth thee : and who will give thee thanks in the pit?

6 I am weary of my groaning; every night wash I my bed : and water my couch with my tears.

7 My beauty is gone for very trouble. and worn away because of all mine enemies.

8 Away from me, all ye that work vanity : for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping.

9 The Lord hath heard my petition : the Lord will receive my prayer.

10 All mine enemies shall be confounded, and sore vexed : they shall be turned back, and put to shame suddenly.

Ps. vii. *Domine, Deus meus.*

O LORD my God, in thee have I put my trust : save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me;

2 Lest he devour my soul like a lion, and tear it in pieces : while there is none to help.

3 O Lord my God, if I have done any such thing : or if there be any wickedness in my hands;

4 If I have rewarded evil unto him that dealt friendly with me : yea, I have delivered him that without any cause is mine enemy;

5 Then let mine enemy persecute my soul, and take me : yea, let him tread my life down upon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust.

6 Stand up, O Lord, in thy wrath, and lift up thyself, because of the indignation of mine enemies : arise up for me in the judgement that thou hast commanded.

7 And so shall the congregation of the people come about thee : for their sakes therefore lift up thyself again.

8 The Lord shall judge the people; give sentence with me, O Lord : according to my righteousness, and according to the innocency that is in me.

9 O let the wickedness of the ungodly come to an end : but guide thou the just.

10 For the righteous God : trieth the very hearts and reins.

11 My help cometh of God : who preserveth them that are true of heart.

12 God is a righteous judge, strong and patient : and God is provoked every day.

13 If a man will not turn, he will whet his sword : he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.

14 He hath prepared for him the instruments of death : he ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors.

15 Behold, he travaileth with mischief : he hath conceived sorrow, and brought forth ungodliness.

16 He hath graven and digged up a pit : and is fallen himself into the destruction that he made for other.

17 For his travail shall come upon his own head : and his wickedness shall fall on his own pate.

18 I will give thanks unto the Lord, according to his righteousness : and I will praise the Name of the Lord most high.

Ps. viii. *Domine, Dominus noster.*

O LORD our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world : thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!

2 Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies : that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

3 For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers : the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained.

4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him : and the Son of man, that thou visitest him?

5 Thou madest him lower than the angels : to crown him with glory and worship.

6 Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands : and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet;

7 All sheep and oxen : yea, and the beasts of the field;

8 The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea : and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.

9 O Lord our Governor : how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm ix. *Confitebor tibi.*

I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart : I will speak of all thy marvellous works.

2 I will be glad and rejoice in thee : yea, my songs will I make of thy Name, O thou most Highest.

3 While mine enemies are driven back : they shall fall and perish at thy presence.

4 For thou hast maintained my right, and my cause : thou art set in the throne that judgest right.

5 Thou hast rebuked the heathen, and destroyed the ungodly : thou hast put out their name for ever and ever.

6 O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end : even as the cities which thou hast destroyed; their memorial is perished with them.

7 But the Lord shall endure for ever : he hath also prepared his seat for judgement.

8 For he shall judge the world in righteousness : and minister true judgement unto the people.

9 The Lord also will be a defence for the oppressed : even a refuge in due time of trouble.

10 And they that know thy

Name will put their trust in thee : for thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek thee.

11 O praise the Lord, which dwelleth in Sion : shew the people of his doings.

12 For when he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them : and forgetteth not the complaint of the poor.

13 Have mercy upon me, O Lord; consider the trouble which I suffer of them that hate me : thou that liftest me up from the gates of death;

14 That I may shew all thy praises within the ports of the daughter of Sion : I will rejoice in thy salvation.

15 The heathen are sunk down in the pit that they made : in the same net which they hid privily is their foot taken.

16 The Lord is known to execute judgement : the ungodly is trapped in the work of his own hands.

17 The wicked shall be turned into hell : and all the people that forget God.

18 For the poor shall not alway be forgotten : the patient abiding of the meek shall not perish for ever.

19 Up, Lord, and let not man have the upper hand : let the heathen be judged in thy sight.

20 Put them in fear, O Lord : that the heathen may know themselves to be but men.

Ps. x. *Ut quid, Domine?*

WHY standest thou so far off, O Lord : and hidest thy face in the needful time of trouble?

2 The ungodly for his own lust doth persecute the poor : let them be taken in the crafty wiliness that they have imagined.

3 For the ungodly hath made boast of his own heart's desire : and speaketh good of the covetous, whom God abhorreth.

4 The ungodly is so proud, that he careth not for God : neither is God in all his thoughts.

5 His ways are alway grievous : thy judgements are far above out of his sight, and therefore defieth he all his enemies.

6 For he hath said in his heart, Tush, I shall never be cast down : there shall no harm happen unto me.

7 His mouth is full of cursing, deceit, and fraud : under his tongue is ungodliness and vanity.

8 He sitteth lurking in the thievish corners of the streets : and privily in his lurking dens doth he murder the innocent; his eyes are set against the poor.

9 For he lieth waiting secretly; even as a lion lurketh he in his den : that he may ravish the poor.

10 He doth ravish the poor : when he getteth him into his net.

11 He falleth down, and humbleth himself : that the congregation of the poor may fall into the hands of his captains.

12 He hath said in his heart, Tush, God hath forgotten : he hideth away his face, and he will never see it.

13 Arise, O Lord God, and lift up thine hand : forget not the poor.

14 Wherefore should the wicked blaspheme God : while he doth say in his heart, Tush, thou, God, carest not for it.

15 Surely thou hast seen it : for thou beholdest ungodliness and wrong.

16 That thou mayest take the matter into thy hand : the poor committeth himself unto thee; for thou art the helper of the friendless.

17 Break thou the power of the ungodly and malicious : take away his ungodliness, and thou shalt find none.

18 The Lord is King for ever and ever : and the heathen are perished out of the land.

19 Lord, thou hast heard the desire of the poor : thou preparest their heart, and thine ear hearkeneth thereto.

20 To help the fatherless and poor unto their right : that the man of the earth be no more exalted against them.

Ps. xi. *In Domino confido.*

IN the Lord put I my trust : how say ye then to my soul, That she should flee as a bird unto the hill?

2 For lo, the ungodly bend their bow, and make ready their arrows within the quiver : that they may privily shoot at them which are true of heart.

3 For the foundations will be cast down : and what hath the righteous done?

4 The Lord is in his holy temple : the Lord's seat is in heaven.

5 His eyes consider the poor : and his eye-lids try the children of men.

6 The Lord alloweth the righteous : but the ungodly, and him that delighteth in wickedness, doth his soul abhor.

7 Upon the ungodly he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, storm and tempest : this shall be their portion to drink.

8 For the righteous Lord loveth righteousness : his countenance will behold the thing that is just.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm xii. *Salvum me fac.*

HELP me, Lord, for there is not one godly man left : for the faithful are minished from among the children of men.

2 They talk of vanity every one with his neighbour : they do but flatter with their lips, and dissemble in their double heart.

3 The Lord shall root out all deceitful lips : and the tongue that speaketh proud things;

4 Which have said, With our tongue will we prevail : we are they that ought to speak; Who is lord over us?

5 Now for the comfortless troubles' sake of the needy : and because of the deep sighing of the poor;

6 I will up, saith the Lord : and will help every one from him that swelleth against him, and will set him at rest.

7 The words of the Lord are pure words : even as the silver, which from the earth is tried, and purified seven times in the fire.

8 Thou shalt keep them, O Lord : thou shalt preserve him from this generation for ever.

9 The ungodly walk on every side : when they are exalted, the children of men are put to rebuke.

Ps. xiii. *Usque quo, Domine?*

HOW long wilt thou forget me, O Lord, for ever : how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

2 How long shall I seek counsel in my soul, and be so vexed in my heart : how long shall mine enemies triumph over me?

3 Consider and hear me, O

Lord my God : lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death;

4 Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him : for if I be cast down, they that trouble me will rejoice at it.

5 But my trust is in thy mercy : and my heart is joyful in thy salvation.

6 I will sing of the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me : yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord most Highest.

Ps. xiv. *Dixit insipiens.*

THE fool hath said in his heart : There is no God.

2 They are corrupt and become abominable in their doings : there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

3 The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of men : to see if there were any that would understand, and seek after God.

4 But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable : there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

5 Their throat is an open sepulchre; with their tongues have they deceived : the poison of asps is under their lips.

6 Their mouth is full of cursing and bitterness : their feet are swift to shed blood.

7 Destruction and unhappiness is in their ways, and the way of peace have they not known : there is no fear of God before their eyes.

8 Have they no knowledge, that they are all such workers of mischief : eating up my people as it were bread, and call not upon the Lord?

9 There were they brought in great fear, even where no fear was : for God is in the generation of the righteous.

10 As for you, ye have made a mock at the counsel of the poor : because he putteth his trust in the Lord.

11 Who shall give salvation unto Israel out of Sion? When the Lord turneth the captivity of his people : then shall Jacob rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm xv. *Domine, quis habitabit?*

LORD, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle : or who shall rest upon thy holy hill?

2 Even he that leadeth an uncorrupt life : and doeth the thing which is right, and speaketh the truth from his heart.

3 He that hath used no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbour : and hath not slandered his neighbour.

4 He that setteth not by himself, but is lowly in his own eyes : and maketh much of them that fear the Lord.

5 He that sweareth unto his neighbour, and disappointeth him not : though it were to his own hindrance.

6 He that hath not given his money upon usury : nor taken reward against the innocent.

7 Whoso doeth these things : shall never fall.

Ps. xvi. *Conserva me, Domine.*

PRESERVE me, O God : for in thee have I put my trust.

2 O my soul, thou hast said unto the Lord : Thou art my God; my goods are nothing unto thee.

3 All my delight is upon the saints that are in the earth : and upon such as excel in virtue.

4 But they that run after another god : shall have great trouble.

5 Their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer : neither make mention of their names within my lips.

6 The Lord himself is the portion of mine inheritance, and of my cup : thou shalt maintain my lot.

7 The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground : yea, I have a goodly heritage.

8 I will thank the Lord for giving me warning : my reins also chasten me in the night-season.

9 I have set God always before me : for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.

10 Wherefore my heart was glad, and my glory rejoiced : my flesh also shall rest in hope.

11 For why? thou shalt not leave my soul in hell : neither shalt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption.

12 Thou shalt shew me the path of life; in thy presence is the fulness of joy : and at thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

Ps. xvii. *Exaudi, Domine.*

HEAR the right, O Lord, consider my complaint : and hearken unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips.

2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence : and let thine eyes look upon the thing that is equal.

3 Thou hast proved and visited mine heart in the night-season; thou hast tried me, and shalt find no wickedness in me : for I am utterly purposed that my mouth shall not offend.

4 Because of men's works that are done against the words of thy lips : I have kept me from the ways of the destroyer.

5 O hold thou up my goings in thy paths : that my footsteps slip not.

6 I have called upon thee, O God, for thou shalt hear me : incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words.

7 Shew thy marvellous loving-kindness, thou that art the Saviour of them which put their trust in thee : from such as resist thy right hand.

8 Keep me as the apple of an eye : hide me under the shadow of thy wings,

9 From the ungodly that trouble me : mine enemies compass me round about to take away my soul.

10 They are inclosed in their own fat : and their mouth speaketh proud things.

11 They lie waiting in our way on every side : turning their eyes down to the ground;

12 Like as a lion that is greedy of his prey : and as it were a lion's whelp lurking in secret places.

13 Up, Lord, disappoint him, and cast him down : deliver my soul from the ungodly, which is a sword of thine;

14 From the men of thy hand, O Lord, from the men, I say, and from the evil world : which have their portion in this life, whose bellies thou fillest with thy hid treasure.

15 They have children at their desire : and leave the rest of their substance for their babes.

16 But as for me, I will behold thy presence in righteousness : and when I awake up after thy likeness, I shall be satisfied with it.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm xviii. *Diligam te, Domine.*

I WILL love thee, O Lord, my strength; the Lord is my stony rock, and my defence : my Saviour, my God, and my might, in whom I will trust; my buckler, the horn also of my salvation, and my refuge.

2 I will call upon the Lord, which is worthy to be praised : so shall I be safe from mine enemies.

3 The sorrows of death compassed me : and the overflowings of ungodliness made me afraid.

4 The pains of hell came about me : the snares of death overtook me.

5 In my trouble I will call upon the Lord : and complain unto my God.

6 So shall he hear my voice out of his holy temple : and my complaint shall come before him, it shall enter even into his ears.

7 The earth trembled and quaked : the very foundations also of the hills shook, and were removed, because he was wroth.

8 There went a smoke out in his presence : and a consuming fire out of his mouth, so that coals were kindled at it.

9 He bowed the heavens also, and came down : and it was dark under his feet.

10 He rode upon the cherubims, and did fly : he came flying upon the wings of the wind.

11 He made darkness his secret place : his pavilion round about him with dark water, and thick clouds to cover him.

12 At the brightness of his presence his clouds removed : hail-stones, and coals of fire.

13 The Lord also thundered out of heaven, and the Highest gave his thunder : hail-stones, and coals of fire.

14 He sent out his arrows, and scattered them : he cast forth lightnings, and destroyed them.

15 The springs of waters were seen, and the foundations of the round world were discovered at thy chiding, O Lord : at the blasting of the breath of thy displeasure.

16 He shall send down from on high to fetch me : and shall take me out of many waters.

17 He shall deliver me from my strongest enemy, and from them which hate me : for they are too mighty for me.

18 They prevented me in the day of my trouble : but the Lord was my upholder.

19 He brought me forth also into a place of liberty : he brought me forth, even because he had a favour unto me.

20 The Lord shall reward me after my righteous dealing : according to the cleanness of my hands shall he recompense me;

21 Because I have kept the ways of the Lord : and have not forsaken my God, as the wicked doeth.

22 For I have an eye unto all his laws : and will not cast out his commandments from me.

23 I was also uncorrupt before him : and eschewed mine own wickedness.

24 Therefore shall the Lord reward me after my righteous dealing : and according unto the cleanness of my hands in his eye-sight.

25 With the holy thou shalt be holy : and with a perfect man thou shalt be perfect.

26 With the clean thou shalt be clean : and with the froward thou shalt learn frowardness.

27 For thou shalt save the

people that are in adversity : and shalt bring down the high looks of the proud.

28 Thou also shalt light my candle : the Lord my God shall make my darkness to be light.

29 For in thee I shall discomfit an host of men : and with the help of my God I shall leap over the wall.

30 The way of God is an undefiled way : the word of the Lord also is tried in the fire; he is the defender of all them that put their trust in him.

31 For who is God, but the Lord : or who hath any strength except our God?

32 It is God that girdeth me with strength of war : and maketh my way perfect.

33 He maketh my feet like harts' feet : and setteth me up on high.

34 He teacheth mine hands to fight : and mine arms shall break even a bow of steel.

35 Thou hast given me the defence of thy salvation : thy right hand also shall hold me up, and thy loving-correction shall make me great.

36 Thou shalt make room enough under me for to go : that my footsteps shall not slide.

37 I will follow upon mine enemies, and overtake them : neither will I turn again till I have destroyed them.

38 I will smite them, that they shall not be able to stand : but fall under my feet.

39 Thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle : thou shalt throw down mine enemies under me.

40 Thou hast made mine enemies also to turn their backs upon me : and I shall destroy them that hate me.

41 They shall cry, but there shall be none to help them : yea, even unto the Lord shall they cry, but he shall not hear them.

42 I will beat them as small as the dust before the wind : I will cast them out as the clay in the streets.

43 Thou shalt deliver me from the strivings of the people : and thou shalt make me the head of the heathen.

44 A people whom I have not known : shall serve me.

45 As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me : but the strange children shall dissemble with me.

46 The strange children shall fail : and be afraid out of their prisons.

47 The Lord liveth, and blessed be my strong helper : and praised be the God of my salvation,

48 Even the God that seeth that I be avenged : and subdueth the people unto me.

49 It is he that delivereth me from my cruel enemies, and setteth me up above mine adversaries : thou shalt rid me from the wicked man.

50 For this cause will I give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the Gentiles : and sing praises unto thy Name.

51 Great prosperity giveth he unto his king : and sheweth loving-kindness unto David his Anointed, and unto his seed for evermore.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm xix. *Cœli enarrant.*

THE heavens declare the glory of God : and the firmament sheweth his handy-work.

2 One day telleth another : and one night certifieth another.

3 There is neither speech nor language : but their voices are heard among them.

4 Their sound is gone out into all lands : and their words into the ends of the world.

5 In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun : which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.

6 It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the end of it again : and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

7 The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul : the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.

8 The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart : the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever : the judgements of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold : sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb.

11 Moreover, by them is thy servant taught : and in keeping of them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how oft he offendeth : O cleanse thou me from my secret faults!

13 Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over me : so shall I be undefiled, and innocent from the great offence.

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart : be alway acceptable in thy sight,

15 O Lord : my strength, and my redeemer.

Ps. xx. *Exaudiat te Dominus.*

THE Lord hear thee in the day of trouble : the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee.

2 Send thee help from the sanctuary : and strengthen thee out of Sion.

3 Remember all thy offerings : and accept thy burnt-sacrifice.

4 Grant thee thy heart's desire : and fulfil all thy mind.

5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and triumph in the Name of the Lord our God : the Lord perform all thy petitions.

6 Now know I that the Lord helpeth his Anointed, and will hear him from his holy heaven : even with the wholesome strength of his right hand.

7 Some put their trust in chariots, and some in horses : but we will remember the Name of the Lord our God.

8 They are brought down, and fallen : but we are risen, and stand upright.

9 Save, Lord, and hear us, O King of heaven : when we call upon thee.

Ps. xxi. *Domine, in virtute tua.*

THE King shall rejoice in thy strength, O Lord : exceeding glad shall he be of thy salvation.

2 Thou hast given him his heart's desire : and hast not denied him the request of his lips.

3 For thou shalt prevent him with the blessings of goodness : and shalt set a crown of pure gold upon his head.

4 He asked life of thee, and thou gavest him a long life : even for ever and ever.

5 His honour is great in thy salvation : glory and great worship shalt thou lay upon him.

6 For thou shalt give him everlasting felicity : and make

him glad with the joy of thy countenance.

7 And why? because the king putteth his trust in the Lord : and in the mercy of the Most Highest he shall not miscarry.

8 All thine enemies shall feel thy hand : thy right hand shall find out them that hate thee.

9 Thou shalt make them like a fiery oven in time of thy wrath : the Lord shall destroy them in his displeasure, and the fire shall consume them.

10 Their fruit shalt thou root out of the earth : and their seed from among the children of men.

11 For they intended mischief against thee : and imagined such a device as they are not able to perform.

12 Therefore shalt thou put them to flight : and the strings of thy bow shalt thou make ready against the face of them.

13 Be thou exalted, Lord, in thine own strength : so will we sing, and praise thy power.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm xxii. *Deus, Deus meus.*

MY God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me : and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but thou hearest not : and in the night-season also I take no rest.

3 And thou continuest holy : O thou worship of Israel.

4 Our fathers hoped in thee : they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

5 They called upon thee, and were holpen : they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.

6 But as for me, I am a worm, and no man : a very scorn of men, and the out-cast of the people.

7 All they that see me, laugh me to scorn : they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

8 He trusted in God, that he would deliver him : let him deliver him, if he will have him.

9 But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb : thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.

10 I have been left unto thee ever since I was born : thou art my God, even from my mother's womb.

11 O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand : and there is none to help me.

12 Many oxen are come about me : fat bulls of Basan close me in on every side.

13 They gape upon me with their mouths : as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint : my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.

15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums : and thou shalt bring me into the dust of death.

16 For many dogs are come about me : and the counsel of the wicked layeth siege against me.

17 They pierced my hands and my feet; I may tell all my bones : they stand staring and looking upon me.

18 They part my garments among them : and cast lots upon my vesture.

19 But be not thou far from me, O Lord : thou art my succour; haste thee to help me.

20 Deliver my soul from the sword : my darling from the power of the dog.

21 Save me from the lion's mouth : thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

22 I will declare thy Name unto my brethren : in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

23 O praise the Lord, ye that fear him : magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel.

24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the low estate of the poor : he hath not hid his face from him; but when he called unto him, he heard him.

25 My praise is of thee in the great congregation : my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

26 The poor shall eat, and be satisfied : they that seek after the Lord, shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.

27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord : and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.

28 For the kingdom is the Lord's : and he is the Governor among the people.

29 All such as be fat upon earth : have eaten and worshipped.

30 All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him : and no man hath quickened his own soul.

31 My seed shall serve him : they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.

32 They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness : unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

Ps. xxiii. *Dominus regit me.*

THE Lord is my Shepherd : therefore can I lack nothing.

2 He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

3 He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me : thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

6 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life : and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm xxiv. *Domini est terra.*

THE earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is : the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

2 For he hath founded it upon the seas : and prepared it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord : or who shall rise up in his holy place?

4 Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart : and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

5 He shall receive the blessing from the Lord : and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6 This is the generation of them that seek him : even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, O ye

gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

8 Who is the King of glory : it is the Lord, strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

10 Who is the King of glory : even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Ps. xxv. *Ad te, Domine, levavi.*

UNTO thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee : O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.

2 For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed : but such as transgress without a cause, shall be put to confusion.

3 Shew me thy ways, O Lord : and teach me thy paths.

4 Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me : for thou art the God of my salvation; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.

5 Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies : and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.

6 O remember not the sins and offences of my youth : but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

7 Gracious and righteous is the Lord : therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

8 Them that are meek shall he guide in judgement : and such as are gentle, them shall he learn his way.

9 All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth : unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

10 For thy Name's sake, O Lord : be merciful unto my sin, for it is great.

11 What man is he that feareth the Lord : him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.

12 His soul shall dwell at ease : and his seed shall inherit the land.

13 The secret of the Lord is among them that fear him : and he will shew them his covenant.

14 Mine eyes are ever looking unto the Lord : for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.

15 Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me : for I am desolate and in misery.

16 The sorrows of my heart are enlarged : O bring thou me out of my troubles.

17 Look upon my adversity and misery : and forgive me all my sin.

18 Consider mine enemies, how many they are : and they bear a tyrannous hate against me.

19 O keep my soul, and deliver me : let me not be confounded, for I have put my trust in thee.

20 Let perfectness and righteous dealing wait upon me : for my hope hath been in thee.

21 Deliver Israel, O God : out of all his troubles.

Ps. xxvi. *Judica me, Domine.*

BE thou my Judge, O Lord, for I have walked innocently : my trust hath been also in the Lord, therefore shall I not fall.

2 Examine me, O Lord, and prove me : try out my reins and my heart.

3 For thy loving-kindness is ever before mine eyes : and I will walk in thy truth.

4 I have not dwelt with vain persons : neither will I have fellowship with the deceitful.

5 I have hated the congregation of the wicked : and will not sit among the ungodly.

6 I will wash my hands in innocency, O Lord : and so will I go to thine altar;

7 That I may shew the voice of thanksgiving : and tell of all thy wondrous works.

8 Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house : and the place where thine honour dwelleth.

9 O shut not up my soul with the sinners : nor my life with the blood-thirsty;

10 In whose hands is wickedness : and their right hand is full of gifts.

11 But as for me, I will walk innocently : O deliver me, and be merciful unto me.

12 My foot standeth right : I will praise the Lord in the congregations.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm xxvii. *Dominus illuminatio.*

THE Lord is my light, and my salvation; whom then shall I fear : the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?

2 When the wicked, even mine enemies, and my foes came upon me, to eat up my flesh : they stumbled and fell.

3 Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid : and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.

4 One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require : even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.

5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle : yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone.

6 And now shall he lift up mine head : above mine enemies round about me.

7 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness : I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord.

8 Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee : have mercy upon me, and hear me.

9 My heart hath talked of thee; Seek ye my face : Thy face, Lord, will I seek.

10 O hide not thou thy face from me : nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.

11 Thou hast been my succour : leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

12 When my father and my mother forsake me : the Lord taketh me up.

13 Teach me thy way, O Lord : and lead me in the right way, because of mine enemies.

14 Deliver me not over into the will of mine adversaries : for there are false witnesses risen up against me, and such as speak wrong.

15 I should utterly have fainted : but that I believe verily to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

16 O tarry thou the Lord's leisure : be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart; and put thou thy trust in the Lord.

Ps. xxviii. *Ad te, Domine.*

UNTO thee will I cry, O Lord, my strength : think no scorn of me, lest if thou make as though thou hearest not, I become like them that go down into the pit.

2 Hear the voice of my humble petitions, when I cry unto thee : when I hold up my hands towards the mercy-seat of thy holy temple.

3 O pluck me not away, neither destroy me with the ungodly and wicked doers : which speak friendly to their neighbours, but imagine mischief in their hearts.

4 Reward them according to their deeds : and according to the wickedness of their own inventions.

5 Recompense them after the work of their hands : pay them that they have deserved.

6 For they regard not in their mind the works of the Lord, nor the operation of his hands : therefore shall he break them down, and not build them up.

7 Praised be the Lord : for he hath heard the voice of my humble petitions.

8 The Lord is my strength, and my shield; my heart hath trusted in him, and I am helped : therefore my heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise him.

9 The Lord is my strength : and he is the wholesome defence of his Anointed.

10 O save thy people, and give thy blessing unto thine inheritance : feed them, and set them up for ever.

Ps. xxix. *Afferte Domino.*

BRING unto the Lord, O ye mighty, bring young rams unto the Lord : ascribe unto the Lord worship and strength.

2 Give the Lord the honour due unto his Name : worship the Lord with holy worship.

3 It is the Lord that commandeth the waters : it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder.

4 It is the Lord that ruleth the sea; the voice of the Lord is mighty in operation : the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

5 The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedar-trees : yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Libanus.

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf : Libanus also, and Sirion like a young unicorn.

7 The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness : yea, the Lord shaketh the wilderness of Cades.

8 The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and discovereth the thick bushes : in his temple doth every man speak of his honour.

9 The Lord sitteth above the water-flood : and the Lord remaineth a King for ever.

10 The Lord shall give strength unto his people : the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm xxx. *Exaltabo te, Domine.*

I WILL magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up : and not made my foes to triumph over me.

2 O Lord my God, I cried unto thee : and thou hast healed me.

3 Thou, Lord, hast brought my soul out of hell : thou hast kept my life from them that go down to the pit.

4 Sing praises unto the Lord, O ye saints of his : and give thanks unto him for a remembrance of his holiness.

5 For his wrath endureth but the twinkling of an eye, and in his pleasure is life : heaviness may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

6 And in my prosperity I said,

I shall never be removed : thou, Lord, of thy goodness hadst made my hill so strong.

7 Thou didst turn thy face from me : and I was troubled.

8 Then cried I unto thee, O Lord : and gat me to my Lord right humbly.

9 What profit is there in my blood : when I go down to the pit?

10 Shall the dust give thanks unto thee : or shall it declare thy truth?

11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me : Lord, be thou my helper.

12 Thou hast turned my heaviness into joy : thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness.

13 Therefore shall every good man sing of thy praise without ceasing : O my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

Ps. xxxi. *In te, Domine, speravi.*

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust : let me never be put to confusion; deliver me in thy righteousness.

2 Bow down thine ear to me : make haste to deliver me.

3 And be thou my strong rock, and house of defence : that thou mayest save me.

4 For thou art my strong rock, and my castle : be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy Name's sake.

5 Draw me out of the net that they have laid privily for me : for thou art my strength.

6 Into thy hands I commend my spirit : for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

7 I have hated them that hold of superstitious vanities : and my trust hath been in the Lord.

8 I will be glad, and rejoice in thy mercy : for thou hast considered my trouble, and hast known my soul in adversities.

9 Thou hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy : but hast set my feet in a large room.

10 Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble : and mine eye is consumed for very heaviness; yea, my soul, and my body.

11 For my life is waxen old with heaviness : and my years with mourning.

12 My strength faileth me, because of mine iniquity : and my bones are consumed.

13 I became a reproof among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours : and they of mine acquaintance were afraid of me; and they, that did see me without, conveyed themselves from me.

14 I am clean forgotten, as a dead man out of mind : I am become like a broken vessel.

15 For I have heard the blasphemy of the multitude : and fear is on every side, while they conspire together against me, and take their counsel to take away my life.

16 But my hope hath been in thee, O Lord : I have said, Thou art my God.

17 My time is in thy hand; deliver me from the hand of mine enemies : and from them that persecute me.

18 Shew thy servant the light of thy countenance : and save me for thy mercies' sake.

19 Let me not be confounded, O Lord, for I have called upon thee : let the ungodly be put to confusion, and be put to silence in the grave.

20 Let the lying lips be put to silence : which cruelly, dis-

dainfully, and despitefully speak against the righteous.

21 O how plentiful is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee : and that thou hast prepared for them that put their trust in thee, even before the sons of men!

22 Thou shalt hide them privily by thine own presence from the provoking of all men : thou shalt keep them secretly in thy tabernacle from the strife of tongues.

23 Thanks be to the Lord : for he hath shewed me marvellous great kindness in a strong city.

24 And when I made haste, I said : I am cast out of the sight of thine eyes.

25 Nevertheless, thou heardest the voice of my prayer : when I cried unto thee.

26 O love the Lord, all ye his saints : for the Lord preserveth them that are faithful, and plenteously rewardeth the proud doer.

27 Be strong, and he shall establish your heart : all ye that put your trust in the Lord.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm xxxii. *Beati, quorum.*

BLESSED is he, whose unrighteousness is forgiven : and whose sin is covered.

2 Blessed is the man, unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin : and in whose spirit there is no guile.

3 For while I held my tongue : my bones consumed away thro' my daily complaining.

4 For thy hand is heavy upon me day and night : and my moisture is like the drought in summer.

5 I will acknowledge my sin unto thee : and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.

6 I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord : and so thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.

7 For this shall every one that is godly make his prayer unto thee, in a time when thou mayest be found : but in the great water-floods they shall not come nigh him.

8 Thou art a place to hide me in, thou shalt preserve me from trouble : thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.

9 I will inform thee, and teach thee in the way wherein thou shalt go : and I will guide thee with mine eye.

10 Be ye not like to horse and mule, which have no understanding : whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, lest they fall upon thee.

11 Great plagues remain for the ungodly : but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.

12 Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord : and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

Ps. xxxiii. *Exultate, justi.*

REJOICE in the Lord, O ye righteous : for it becometh well the just to be thankful.

2 Praise the Lord with harp : sing praises unto him with the lute, and instrument of ten strings.

3 Sing unto the Lord a new song : sing praises lustily unto him with a good courage.

4 For the word of the Lord is true : and all his works are faithful.

5 He loveth righteousness and judgement : the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made : and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.

7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were upon an heap : and layeth up the deep, as in a treasure-house.

8 Let all the earth fear the Lord : stand in awe of him, all ye that dwell in the world;

9 For he spake, and it was done : he commanded, and it stood fast.

10 The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: and maketh the devices of the people to be of none effect, and casteth out the counsels of princes.

11 The counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever : and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.

12 Blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord Jehovah : and blessed are the folk, that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance.

13 The Lord looked down from heaven, and beheld all the children of men : from the habitation of his dwelling he considereth all them that dwell on the earth.

14 He fashioneth all the hearts of them : and understandeth all their works.

15 There is no king that can be saved by the multitude of an host : neither is any mighty man delivered by much strength.

16 A horse is counted but a vain thing to save a man : neither shall he deliver any man by his great strength.

17 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him : and upon them that put their trust in his mercy;

18 To deliver their soul from death : and to feed them in the time of dearth.

19 Our soul hath patiently tarried for the Lord : for he is our help, and our shield.

20 For our heart shall rejoice in him : because we have hoped in his holy Name.

21 Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us : like as we do put our trust in thee.

Ps. xxxiv. *Benedicam Domino.*

I WILL alway give thanks unto the Lord : his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

2 My soul shall make her boast in the Lord : the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

3 O praise the Lord with me : and let us magnify his Name together.

4 I sought the Lord, and he heard me : yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.

5 They had an eye unto him, and were lightened : and their faces were not ashamed.

6 Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him : yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.

7 The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him : and delivereth them.

8 O taste, and see how gracious the Lord is : blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

9 O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints : for they that fear him lack nothing.

10 The lions do lack, and suffer hunger : but they who seek the Lord shall want no manner of thing that is good.

11 Come, ye children, and hearken unto me : I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

12 What man is he that lusteth to live : and would fain see good days?

13 Keep thy tongue from evil :

and thy lips, that they speak no guile.

14 Eschew evil and do good : seek peace, and ensue it.

15 The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous : and his ears are open unto their prayers.

16 The countenance of the Lord is against them that do evil : to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth them : and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

18 The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart : and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

19 Great are the troubles of the righteous : but the Lord delivereth him out of all.

20 He keepeth all his bones : so that not one of them is broken.

21 But misfortune shall slay the ungodly : and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

22 The Lord delivereth the souls of his servants : and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm xxxv. *Judica me, Domine.*

PLEAD thou my cause, O Lord, with them that strive with me : and fight thou against them that fight against me.

2 Lay hand upon the shield and buckler : and stand up to help me.

3 Bring forth the spear, and stop the way against them that persecute me : say unto my soul, I am thy salvation.

4 Let them be confounded, and put to shame, that seek after my soul : let them be turned back, and brought to confusion, that imagine mischief for me.

5 Let them be as the dust before the wind : and the angel of the Lord scattering them.

6 Let their way be dark and slippery : and let the angel of the Lord persecute them.

7 For they have privily laid their net to destroy me without a cause : yea, even without a cause have they made a pit for my soul.

8 Let a sudden destruction come upon him unawares, and his net that he hath laid privily, catch himself : that he may fall into his own mischief.

9 And, my soul, be joyful in the Lord : it shall rejoice in his salvation.

10 All my bones shall say, Lord, who is like unto thee, who deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him : yea, the poor, and him that is in misery, from him that spoileth him?

11 False witnesses did rise up : they laid to my charge things that I knew not.

12 They rewarded me evil for good : to the great discomfort of my soul.

13 Nevertheless, when they were sick, I put on sackcloth, and humbled my soul with fasting : and my prayer shall turn into mine own bosom.

14 I behaved myself as though it had been my friend or my brother : I went heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother.

15 But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together : yea, the very abjects came together against me unawares, making mouths at me, and ceased not.

16 With the flatterers were

busy mockers : who gnashed upon me with their teeth.

17 Lord, how long wilt thou look upon this : O deliver my soul from the calamities which they bring on me, and my darling from the lions.

18 So will I give thee thanks in the great congregation : I will praise thee among much people.

19 O let not them that are mine enemies triumph over me ungodly : neither let them wink with their eyes, that hate me without a cause.

20 And why? their communing is not for peace : but they imagine deceitful words against them that are quiet in the land.

21 They gaped upon me with their mouths, and said : Fie on thee, fie on thee, we saw it with our eyes.

22 This thou hast seen, O Lord : hold not thy tongue then, go not far from me, O Lord.

23 Awake, and stand up to judge my quarrel : avenge thou my cause, my God, and my Lord.

24 Judge me, O Lord my God, according to thy righteousness : and let them not triumph over me.

25 Let them not say in their hearts, There, there, so would we have it : neither let them say, We have devoured him.

26 Let them be put to confusion and shame together, that rejoice at my trouble : let them be clothed with rebuke and dishonour, that boast themselves against me.

27 Let them be glad and rejoice, that favour my righteous dealing : yea, let them say alway, Blessed be the Lord, who hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.

28 And as for my tongue, it shall be talking of thy righteousness : and of thy praise all the day long.

Ps. xxxvi. *Dixit injustus.*

MY heart sheweth me the wickedness of the ungodly : that there is no fear of God before his eyes.

2 For he flattereth himself in his own sight : until his abominable sin be found out.

3 The words of his mouth are unrighteous, and full of deceit : he hath left off to behave himself wisely, and to do good.

4 He imagineth mischief upon his bed, and hath set himself in no good way : neither doth he abhor any thing that is evil.

5 Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens : and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.

6 Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains : thy judgements are like the great deep.

7 Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast; How excellent is thy mercy, O God : and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

8 They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house : and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures as out of the river.

9 For with thee is the well of life : and in thy light shall we see light.

10 O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee : and thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.

11 O let not the foot of pride come against me : and let not the hand of the ungodly cast me down.

12 There are they fallen, all that work wickedness : they are cast down, and shall not be able to stand.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm xxxvii. *Noli æmulari.*

FRET not thyself because of the ungodly : neither be thou envious against the evil doers.

2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass : and be withered even as the green herb.

3 Put thou thy trust in the Lord, and be doing good : dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

4 Delight thou in the Lord : and he shall give thee thy heart's desire.

5 Commit thy way unto the Lord, and put thy trust in him : and he shall bring it to pass.

6 He shall make thy righteousness as clear as the light : and thy just dealing as the noonday.

7 Hold thee still in the Lord, and abide patiently upon him : but grieve not thyself at him whose way doth prosper, against the man that doeth after evil counsels.

8 Leave off from wrath, and let go displeasure : fret not thyself, else shalt thou be moved to do evil.

9 Wicked doers shall be rooted out : and they that patiently abide the Lord, those shall inherit the land.

10 Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone : thou shalt look after his place, and he shall be away.

11 But the meek-spirited shall possess the earth : and shall be refreshed in the multitude of peace.

12 The ungodly seeketh counsel against the just : and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.

13 The Lord shall laugh him to scorn : for he hath seen that his day is coming.

14 The ungodly have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow : to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay such as are of a right conversation.

15 Their sword shall go through their own heart : and their bow shall be broken.

16 A small thing that the righteous hath : is better than great riches of the ungodly.

17 For the arms of the ungodly shall be broken : and the Lord upholdeth the righteous.

18 The Lord knoweth the days of the godly : and their inheritance shall endure for ever.

19 They shall not be confounded in the perilous time : and in the days of dearth they shall have enough.

20 As for the ungodly, they shall perish, and the enemies of the Lord shall consume as the fat of lambs : yea, even as the smoke shall they consume away.

21 The ungodly borroweth, and payeth not again : but the righteous is merciful and liberal.

22 Such as are blessed of God, shall possess the land : and they that are cursed of him, shall be rooted out.

23 The Lord ordereth a good man's going : and maketh his way acceptable to himself.

24 Though he fall, he shall not be cast away : for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.

25 I have been young, and now am old : and yet saw I never the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging their bread.

26 The righteous is ever merciful, and lendeth : and his seed is blessed.

27 Flee from evil, and do the thing that is good : and dwell for evermore.

28 For the Lord loveth the thing that is right : he forsaketh not his that be godly, but they are preserved for ever.

29 The unrighteous shall be punished : as for the seed of the ungodly, it shall be rooted out.

30 The righteous shall inherit the land : and dwell therein for ever.

31 The mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom : and his tongue will be talking of judgement.

32 The law of his God is in his heart : and his goings shall not slide.

33 The ungodly seeth the righteous : and seeketh occasion to slay him.

34 The Lord will not leave him in his hand : nor condemn him when he is judged.

35 Hope thou in the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall promote thee, that thou shalt possess the land : when the ungodly shall perish, thou shalt see it.

36 I myself have seen the ungodly in great power : and flourishing like a green bay-tree.

37 I went by, and, lo, he was gone : I sought him, but his place could no where be found.

38 Keep innocency, and take heed unto the thing that is right : for that shall bring a man peace at the last.

39 As for the transgressors, they shall perish together : and the end of the ungodly is, they shall be rooted out at the last.

40 But the salvation of the righteous cometh of the Lord : who is also their strength in the time of trouble.

41 And the Lord shall stand by them, and save them : he shall deliver them from the ungodly, and shall save them, because they put their trust in him.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm xxxviii. *Domine, ne in furore.*

PUT me not to rebuke, O Lord, in thine anger : neither chasten me in thy heavy displeasure.

2 For thine arrows stick fast in me : and thy hand presseth me sore.

3 There is no health in my flesh, because of thy displeasure : neither is there any rest in my bones, by reason of my sin.

4 For my wickednesses are gone over my head : and are like a sore burden, too heavy for me to bear.

5 My wounds stink, and are corrupt : through my foolishness.

6 I am brought into so great trouble and misery : that I go mourning all the day long.

7 For my loins are filled with a sore disease : and there is no whole part in my body.

8 I am feeble, and sore smitten : I have roared for the very disquietness of my heart.

9 Lord, thou knowest all my desire : and my groaning is not hid from thee.

10 My heart panteth, my strength hath failed me : and the sight of mine eyes is gone from me.

11 My lovers and my neighbours did stand looking upon my trouble : and my kinsmen stood afar off.

12 They also that sought after my life, laid snares for me : and they that went about to do me evil, talked of wickedness, and imagined deceit all the day long.

13 As for me, I was like a deaf man, and heard not : and as one that is dumb, who doth not open his mouth.

14 I became even as a man

that heareth not : and in whose mouth are no reproofs.

15 For in thee, O Lord, have I put my trust : thou shalt answer for me, O Lord my God.

16 I have required that they, even mine enemies, should not triumph over me : for when my foot slipped, they rejoiced greatly against me.

17 And I truly am set in the plague : and my heaviness is ever in my sight.

18 For I will confess my wickedness : and be sorry for my sin.

19 But mine enemies live, and are mighty : and they that hate me wrongfully are many in number.

20 They also, that reward evil for good, are against me : because I follow the thing that good is.

21 Forsake me not, O Lord my God : be not thou far from me.

22 Haste thee to help me : O Lord God of my salvation.

Ps. xxxix. *Dixi, custodiam.*

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways : that I offend not in my tongue;

2 I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle : while the ungodly is in my sight.

3 I held my tongue, and spake nothing : I kept silence, yea, even from good words; but it was pain and grief to me.

4 My heart was hot within me; and while I was thus musing, the fire kindled : and at the last I spake with my tongue;

5 Lord, let me know my end, and the number of my days : that I may be certified how long I have to live.

6 Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long : and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

7 For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain : he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.

8 And now, Lord, what is my hope : truly my hope is even in thee.

9 Deliver me from all mine offences : and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

10 I became dumb, and opened not my mouth : for it was thy doing.

11 Take thy plague away from me : I am even consumed by means of thy heavy hand.

12 When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment : every man therefore is but vanity.

13 Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling : hold not thy peace at my tears.

14 For I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner : as all my fathers were.

15 O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength : before I go hence, and be no more seen.

Ps. xl. *Expectans expectavi.*

I WAITED patiently for the Lord : and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.

2 He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay : and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings.

3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth : even a thanksgiving unto our God.

4 Many shall see it, and fear : and shall put their trust in the Lord.

5 Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the Lord : and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies.

6 O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done; like as be also thy thoughts, which are to us-ward: and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee.

7 If I should declare them, and speak of them: they should be more than I am able to express.

8 Sacrifice and meat-offering thou wouldest not: but mine ears hast thou opened.

9 Burnt-offerings and sacrifice for sin hast thou not required: then said I, Lo, I come.

10 In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God: I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.

11 I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.

12 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart: my talk hath been of thy truth, and of thy salvation.

13 I have not kept back thy loving-mercy and truth: from the great congregation.

14 Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O Lord: let thy loving-kindness and thy truth alway preserve me.

15 For innumerable troubles are come about me; my sins have taken such hold upon me, that I am not able to look up: yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart hath failed me.

16 O Lord, let it be thy pleasure to deliver me: make haste, O Lord, to help me.

17 Let them be ashamed, and confounded together, that seek after my soul to destroy it: let them be driven backward, and put to rebuke, that wish me evil.

18 Let them be desolate, and rewarded with shame: that say unto me, Fie upon thee, fie upon thee.

19 Let all those that seek thee, be joyful and glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation, say alway, The Lord be praised.

20 As for me, I am poor and needy: but the Lord careth for me.

21 Thou art my helper and redeemer: make no long tarrying, O my God.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm xli. *Beatus qui intelligit.*

BLESSED is he that considereth the poor and needy: the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble.

2 The Lord preserve him, and keep him alive, that he may be blessed upon earth: and deliver not thou him into the will of his enemies.

3 The Lord comfort him when he lieth sick upon his bed: make thou all his bed in his sickness.

4 I said, Lord, be merciful unto me: heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.

5 Mine enemies speak evil of me: When shall he die, and his name perish?

6 And if he come to see me, he speaketh vanity: and his heart conceiveth falsehood within himself; and when he cometh forth he telleth it.

7 All mine enemies whisper together against me: even against me do they imagine this evil.

8 Let the sentence of guiltiness proceed against him: and now that he lieth, let him rise up no more.

9 Yea, even mine own familiar friend, whom I trusted: who did

also eat of my bread, hath laid great wait for me.

10 But be thou merciful unto me, O Lord : raise thou me up again, and I shall reward them.

11 By this I know thou favourest me : that mine enemy doth not triumph against me.

12 And when I am in my health, thou upholdest me : and shalt set me before thy face for ever.

13 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel : world without end. Amen.

Ps. xlii. *Quemadmodum.*

LIKE as the hart desireth the water-brooks : so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

2 My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God : when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

3 My tears have been my meat day and night : while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?

4 Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart by myself : for I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the house of God;

5 In the voice of praise and thanksgiving : among such as keep holy-day.

6 Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me?

7 Put thy trust in God : for I will yet give him thanks for the help of his countenance.

8 My God, my soul is vexed within me : therefore will I remember thee concerning the land of Jordan, and the little hill of Hermon.

9 One deep calleth another, because of the noise of the water-pipes : all thy waves and storms are gone over me.

10 The Lord hath granted his loving-kindness in the day-time : and in the night-season did I sing of him, and made my prayer unto the God of my life.

11 I will say unto the God of my strength, Why hast thou forgotten me : why go I thus heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

12 My bones are smitten asunder as with a sword : while mine enemies, that trouble me, cast me in the teeth;

13 Namely, while they say daily unto me : Where is now thy God?

14 Why art thou so vexed, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me?

15 O put thy trust in God : for I will yet thank him, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Ps. xliii. *Judica me, Deus.*

GIVE sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people : O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

2 For thou art the God of my strength; why hast thou put me from thee : and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

3 O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me : and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling.

4 And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness : and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.

5 Why art thou so heavy, O my soul : and why art thou so disquieted within me?

6 O put thy trust in God : for I will yet give him thanks, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm xliv. *Deus, auribus.*

WE have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us : what thou hast done in their time of old.

2 How thou hast driven out the heathen with thy hand, and planted them in : how thou hast destroyed the nations, and cast them out.

3 For they gat not the land in possession through their own sword : neither was it their own arm that helped them;

4 But thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance : because thou hadst a favour unto them.

5 Thou art my King, O God : send help unto Jacob.

6 Through thee will we overthrow our enemies : and in thy Name will we tread them under that rise up against us.

7 For I will not trust in my bow : it is not my sword that shall help me;

8 But it is thou that savest us from our enemies : and puttest them to confusion that hate us.

9 We make our boast of God all day long : and will praise thy Name for ever.

10 But now thou art far off, and puttest us to confusion : and goest not forth with our armies.

11 Thou makest us to turn our backs upon our enemies : so that they, which hate us, spoil our goods.

12 Thou lettest us be eaten up like sheep : and hast scattered us among the heathen.

13 Thou sellest thy people for nought : and takest no money for them.

14 Thou makest us to be rebuked of our neighbours : to be laughed to scorn, and had in derision of them that are round about us.

15 Thou makest us to be a by-word among the heathen : and that the people shake their heads at us.

16 My confusion is daily before me : and the shame of my face hath covered me;

17 For the voice of the slanderer and blasphemer : for the enemy and avenger.

18 And though all this be come upon us, yet do we not forget thee : nor behave ourselves frowardly in thy covenant.

19 Our heart is not turned back : neither our steps gone out of thy way;

20 No, not when thou hast smitten us into the place of dragons : and covered us with the shadow of death.

21 If we have forgotten the Name of our God, and holden up our hands to any strange god : shall not God search it out? for he knoweth the very secrets of the heart.

22 For thy sake also are we killed all the day long : and are counted as sheep appointed to be slain.

23 Up, Lord, why sleepest thou : awake, and be not absent from us for ever.

24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face : and forgettest our misery and trouble?

25 For our soul is brought low, even unto the dust : our belly cleaveth unto the ground.

26 Arise, and help us : and deliver us for thy mercies' sake.

Ps. xlv. *Eructavit cor meum.*

MY heart is inditing of a good matter : I speak of the things which I have made unto the King.

2 My tongue is the pen : of a ready writer.

3 Thou art fairer than the children of men : full of grace are thy lips, because God hath blessed thee for ever.

4 Gird thee with thy sword upon thy thigh, O thou most mighty : according to thy worship and renown.

5 Good luck have thou with thine honour : ride on, because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.

6 Thy arrows are very sharp, and the people shall be subdued unto thee : even in the midst among the King's enemies.

7 Thy seat, O God, endureth for ever : the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

8 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity : wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

9 All thy garments smell of myrrh, aloes, and cassia : out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.

10 Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women : upon thy right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours.

11 Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear : forget also thine own people, and thy father's house.

12 So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty : for he is thy Lord God, and worship thou him.

13 And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift : like as the rich also among the people shall make their supplication before thee.

14 The King's daughter is all glorious within : her clothing is of wrought gold.

15 She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needlework : the virgins, that be her fellows, shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto thee.

16 With joy and gladness shall they be brought : and shall enter into the King's palace.

17 Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children : whom thou mayest make princes in all lands.

18 I will remember thy Name from one generation to another : therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee, world without end.

Ps. xlvi. *Deus noster refugium*

GOD is our hope and strength : a very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved : and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea;

3 Though the waters thereof rage and swell : and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.

4 The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God : the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most Highest.

5 God is in the midst of her; therefore shall she not be removed : God shall help her, and that right early.

6 The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved : but God hath shewed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.

7 The Lord of hosts is with us : the God of Jacob is our refuge.

8 O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord : what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.

9 He maketh wars to cease in all the world : he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire.

10 Be still then, and know that I am God : I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.

11 The Lord of hosts is with us : the God of Jacob is our refuge.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm xlvii. *Omnes gentes, plaudite.*

O CLAP your hands together, all ye people : O sing unto God with the voice of melody.

2 For the Lord is high, and to be feared : he is the great King upon all the earth.

3 He shall subdue the people under us : and the nations under our feet.

4 He shall choose out an heritage for us : even the worship of Jacob, whom he loved.

5 God is gone up with a merry noise : and the Lord with the sound of the trump.

6 O sing praises, sing praises unto our God : O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.

7 For God is the King of all the earth : sing ye praises with understanding.

8 God reigneth over the heathen : God sitteth upon his holy seat.

9 The princes of the people are joined unto the people of the God of Abraham : for God, which is very high exalted, doth defend the earth, as it were with a shield.

Ps. xlviii. *Magnus Dominus.*

GREAT is the Lord, and highly to be praised : in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.

2 The hill of Sion is a fair place, and the joy of the whole earth : upon the north side lieth the city of the great King; God is well known in her palaces as a sure refuge.

3 For lo, the kings of the earth : are gathered, and gone by together.

4 They marvelled to see such things : they were astonished, and suddenly cast down.

5 Fear came there upon them, and sorrow : as upon a woman in her travail.

6 Thou shalt break the ships of the sea : through the east wind.

7 Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts; in the city of our God : God upholdeth the same for ever.

8 We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God : in the midst of thy temple.

9 O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's end : thy right hand is full of righteousness.

10 Let the mount Sion rejoice, and the daughter of Judah be glad : because of thy judgements.

11 Walk about Sion, and go round about her : and tell the towers thereof.

12 Mark well her bulwarks, set up her houses : that ye may tell them that come after.

13 For this God is our God for ever and ever : he shall be our guide unto death.

Ps. xlix. *Audite hæc, omnes.*

O HEAR ye this, all ye people : ponder it with your ears, all ye that dwell in the world;

2 High and low, rich and poor : one with another.

3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom : and my heart shall muse of understanding.

4 I will incline mine ear to the parable : and shew my dark speech upon the harp.

5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of wickedness : and when the wickedness of my heels compasseth me round about?

6 There be some that put their trust in their goods : and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches.

7 But no man may deliver his brother : nor make agreement unto God for him;

8 For it cost more to redeem their souls : so that he must let that alone for ever;

9 Yea, though he live long : and see not the grave.

10 For he seeth that wise men also die, and perish together : as well as the ignorant and foolish, and leave their riches for other.

11 And yet they think that their houses shall continue for ever : and that their dwelling-places shall endure from one generation to another, and call the lands after their own names.

12 Nevertheless, man will not abide in honour : seeing he may be compared unto the beasts that perish; this is the way of them.

13 This is their foolishness : and their posterity praise their saying.

14 They lie in the hell like sheep, death gnaweth upon them, and the righteous shall have domination over them in the morning : their beauty shall consume in the sepulchre out of their dwelling.

15 But God hath delivered my soul from the place of hell : for he shall receive me.

16 Be not thou afraid, though one be made rich : or if the glory of his house be increased;

17 For he shall carry nothing away with him, when he dieth : neither shall his pomp follow him.

18 For while he lived, he counted himself an happy man : and so long as thou doest well unto thyself, men will speak good of thee.

19 He shall follow the generation of his fathers : and shall never see light.

20 Man being in honour, hath no understanding : but is compared unto the beasts that perish.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm L. *Deus deorum.*

THE Lord, even the most mighty God, hath spoken : and called the world, from the rising up of the sun unto the going down thereof.

2 Out of Sion hath God appeared : in perfect beauty.

3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence : there shall go before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him.

4 He shall call the heaven from above : and the earth, that he may judge his people.

5 Gather my saints together unto me : those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice;

6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness : for God is judge himself.

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak : I myself will testify against thee, O Israel; for I am God, even thy God.

8 I will not reprove thee, because of thy sacrifices, or for thy burnt-offerings : because they were not alway before me.

9 I will take no bullock out of thine house : nor he-goat out of thy folds.

10 For all the beasts of the

forest are mine : and so are the cattle upon a thousand hills.

11 I know all the fowls upon the mountains : and the wild beasts of the field are in my sight.

12 If I be hungry, I will not tell thee : for the whole world is mine, and all that is therein.

13 Thinkest thou that I will eat bulls' flesh : and drink the blood of goats?

14 Offer unto God thanksgiving : and pay thy vows unto the most Highest;

15 And call upon me in the time of trouble : so will I hear thee, and thou shalt praise me.

16 But unto the ungodly said God : Why dost thou preach my laws, and takest my covenant in thy mouth;

17 Whereas thou hatest to be reformed : and hast cast my words behind thee?

18 When thou sawest a thief, thou consentedst unto him : and hast been partaker with the adulterers.

19 Thou hast let thy mouth speak wickedness : and with thy tongue thou hast set forth deceit.

20 Thou satest, and spakest against thy brother : yea, and hast slandered thine own mother's son.

21 These things hast thou done, and I held my tongue; and thou thoughtest wickedly, that I am even such a one as thyself : but I will reprove thee, and set before thee the things that thou hast done.

22 O consider this, ye that forget God : lest I pluck you away, and there be none to deliver you.

23 Whoso offereth me thanks and praise, he honoureth me : and to him, that ordereth his conversation right, will I shew the salvation of God.

Ps. li. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness : according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

2 Wash me throughly from my wickedness : and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I acknowledge my faults : and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight : that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judged.

5 Behold, I was shapen in wickedness : and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

6 But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts : and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

7 Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean : thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8 Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness : that the bones, which thou hast broken, may rejoice.

9 Turn thy face from my sins : and put out all my misdeeds.

10 Make me a clean heart, O God : and renew a right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away from thy presence : and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

12 O give me the comfort of thy help again : and stablish me with thy free Spirit.

13 Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked : and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

14 Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health : and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.

15 Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord : and my mouth shall shew thy praise.

16 For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee : but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.

17 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit : a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

18 O be favourable and gracious unto Sion : build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations : then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

Ps. lii. *Quid gloriaris?*

WHY boastest thou thyself, thou tyrant : that thou canst do mischief;

2 Whereas the goodness of God : endureth yet daily?

3 Thy tongue imagineth wickedness : and with lies thou cuttest like a sharp razor.

4 Thou hast loved unrighteousness more than goodness : and to talk of lies more than righteousness.

5 Thou hast loved to speak all words that may do hurt : O thou false tongue!

6 Therefore shall God destroy thee for ever : he shall take thee, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling, and root thee out of the land of the living.

7 The righteous also shall see this, and fear : and shall laugh him to scorn.

8 Lo, this is the man that took not God for his strength : but trusted unto the multitude of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.

9 As for me, I am like a green olive-tree in the house of God : my trust is in the tender mercy of God for ever and ever.

10 I will always give thanks unto thee for that thou hast done : and I will hope in thy Name; for thy saints like it well.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm liii. *Dixit insipiens.*

THE foolish body hath said in his heart : There is no God.

2 Corrupt are they, and become abominable in their wickedness : there is none that doeth good.

3 God looked down from heaven upon the children of men : to see if there were any that would understand, and seek after God.

4 But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable : there is also none that doeth good, no, not one.

5 Are not they without understanding, that work wickedness : eating up my people as if they would eat bread? they have not called upon God.

6 They were afraid where no fear was : for God hath broken the bones of him that besieged thee; thou hast put them to confusion, because God hath despised them.

7 Oh, that the salvation were given unto Israel out of Sion : Oh, that the Lord would deliver his people out of captivity!

8 Then should Jacob rejoice : and Israel should be right glad.

Ps. liv. *Deus, in nomine.*

SAVE me, O God, for thy Name's sake : and avenge me in thy strength.

2 Hear my prayer, O God : and hearken unto the words of my mouth.

3 For strangers are risen up against me : and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.

4 Behold, God is my helper : the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.

5 He shall reward evil unto mine enemies : destroy thou them in thy truth.

6 An offering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O Lord : because it is so comfortable.

7 For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble : and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

Ps. lv. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR my prayer, O God : and hide not thyself from my petition.

2 Take heed unto me, and hear me : how I mourn in my prayer, and am vexed.

3 The enemy crieth so, and the ungodly cometh on so fast : for they are minded to do me some mischief, so maliciously are they set against me.

4 My heart is disquieted within me : and the fear of death is fallen upon me.

5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me : and an horrible dread hath overwhelmed me.

6 And I said, O that I had wings like a dove : for then would I flee away, and be at rest.

7 Lo, then would I get me away far off : and remain in the wilderness.

8 I would make haste to escape : because of the stormy wind and tempest.

9 Destroy their tongues, O Lord, and divide them : for I have spied unrighteousness and strife in the city.

10 Day and night they go about within the walls thereof : mischief also and sorrow are in the midst of it.

11 Wickedness is therein : deceit and guile go not out of their streets.

12 For it is not an open enemy, that hath done me this dishonour : for then I could have borne it.

13 Neither was it mine adversary, that did magnify himself against me : for then peradventure I would have hid myself from him ;

14 But it was even thou, my companion : my guide, and mine own familiar friend.

15 We took sweet counsel together : and walked in the house of God as friends.

16 Let death come hastily upon them, and let them go down quick into hell : for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them.

17 As for me, I will call upon God : and the Lord shall save me.

18 In the evening, and morning, and at noon-day will I pray, and that instantly : and he shall hear my voice.

19 It is he, that hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me : for there were many with me.

20 Yea, even God, that endureth for ever, shall hear me, and bring them down : for they will not turn, nor fear God.

21 He laid his hands upon such as be at peace with him : and he brake his covenant.

22 The words of his mouth were softer than butter, having war in his heart : his words were

smoother than oil, and yet be they very swords.

23 O cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall nourish thee: and shall not suffer the righteous to fall for ever.

24 And as for them: thou, O God, shalt bring them into the pit of destruction.

25 The blood-thirsty and deceitful men shall not live out half their days: nevertheless, my trust shall be in thee, O Lord.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm lvi. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

BE merciful unto me, O God; for man goeth about to devour me: he is daily fighting and troubling me.

2 Mine enemies are daily in hand to swallow me up: for they be many that fight against me, O thou most Highest!

3 Nevertheless, though I am sometime afraid: yet put I my trust in thee.

4 I will praise God, because of his word: I have put my trust in God, and will not fear what flesh can do unto me.

5 They daily mistake my words: all that they imagine is to do me evil.

6 They hold all together, and keep themselves close: and mark my steps, when they lay wait for my soul.

7 Shall they escape for their wickedness: thou, O God, in thy displeasure shalt cast them down.

8 Thou tellest my flittings; put my tears into thy bottle: are not these things noted in thy book?

9 Whensoever I call upon thee, then shall mine enemies be put to flight: this I know; for God is on my side.

10 In God's word will I rejoice: in the Lord's word will I comfort me.

11 Yea, in God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

12 Unto thee, O God, will I pay my vows: unto thee will I give thanks.

13 For thou hast delivered my soul from death, and my feet from falling: that I may walk before God in the light of the living.

Ps. lvii. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me; for my soul trusteth in thee: and under the shadow of thy wings shall be my refuge, until this tyranny be overpast.

2 I will call unto the most high God: even unto the God, that shall perform the cause, which I have in hand.

3 He shall send from heaven: and save me from the reproof of him, that would eat me up.

4 God shall send forth his mercy and truth: my soul is among lions.

5 And I lie even among the children of men, that are set on fire: whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.

6 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth.

7 They have laid a net for my feet, and pressed down my soul: they have digged a pit before me, and are fallen into the midst of it themselves.

8 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise.

9 Awake up, my glory; awake, lute and harp: I myself will awake right early.

10 I will give thanks unto thee

O Lord, among the people : and I will sing unto thee among the nations.

11 For the greatness of thy mercy reacheth unto the heavens : and thy truth unto the clouds.

12 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens : and thy glory above all the earth.

Ps. lviii. *Si vere utique.*

ARE your minds set upon righteousness, O ye congregation : and do ye judge the thing that is right, O ye sons of men?

2 Yea, ye imagine mischief in your heart upon the earth : and your hands deal with wickedness.

3 The ungodly are froward, even from their mother's womb: as soon as they are born, they go astray, and speak lies.

4 They are as venomous as the poison of a serpent : even like the deaf adder, that stoppeth her ears;

5 Which refuseth to hear the voice of the charmer : charm he never so wisely.

6 Break their teeth, O God, in their mouths; smite the jaw-bones of the lions, O Lord : let them fall away like water that runneth apace; and when they shoot their arrows, let them be rooted out.

7 Let them consume away like a snail, and be like the untimely fruit of a woman : and let them not see the sun.

8 Or ever your pots be made hot with thorns : so let indignation vex him, even as a thing that is raw.

9 The righteous shall rejoice, when he seeth the vengeance : he shall wash his footsteps in the blood of the ungodly.

10 So that a man shall say, Verily there is a reward for the righteous : doubtless, there is a God that judgeth the earth.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm lix. *Eripe me de inimicis.*

DELIVER me from mine enemies, O God : defend me from them, that rise up against me.

2 O deliver me from the wicked doers : and save me from the blood-thirsty men.

3 For lo, they lie waiting for my soul : the mighty men are gathered against me, without any offence or fault of me, O Lord.

4 They run and prepare themselves without my fault : arise thou therefore to help me, and behold.

5 Stand up, O Lord God of hosts, thou God of Israel, to visit all the heathen : and be not merciful unto them, that offend of malicious wickedness.

6 They go to and fro in the evening : they grin like a dog, and run about through the city.

7 Behold, they speak with their mouth, and swords are in their lips : for who doth hear?

8 But thou, O Lord, shalt have them in derision : and thou shalt laugh all the heathen to scorn.

9 My strength will I ascribe unto thee : for thou art the God of my refuge.

10 God sheweth me his goodness plenteously : and God shall let me see my desire upon mine enemies.

11 Slay them not, lest my people forget it : but scatter them abroad among the people, and put them down, O Lord, our defence.

12 For the sin of their mouth, and for the words of their lips, they shall be taken in their pride :

and why? their preaching is of cursing and lies.

13 Consume them in thy wrath, consume them, that they may perish: and know that it is God that ruleth in Jacob, and unto the ends of the world.

14 And in the evening they will return: grin like a dog, and will go about the city.

15 They will run here and there for meat: and grudge if they be not satisfied.

16 As for me, I will sing of thy power, and will praise thy mercy betimes in the morning: for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble.

17 Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing: for thou, O God, art my refuge, and my merciful God.

Ps. lx. *Deus, repulisti nos.*

O GOD, thou hast cast us out, and scattered us abroad: thou hast also been displeased; O turn thee unto us again.

2 Thou hast moved the land, and divided it: heal the sores thereof; for it shaketh.

3 Thou hast shewed thy people heavy things: thou hast given us a drink of deadly wine.

4 Thou hast given a token for such as fear thee: that they may triumph, because of the truth.

5 Therefore were thy beloved delivered: help me with thy right hand, and hear me.

6 God hath spoken in his holiness, I will rejoice and divide Sichem: and mete out the valley of Succoth.

7 Gilead is mine, and Manasses is mine: Ephraim also is the strength of my head; Judah is my lawgiver;

8 Moab is my washpot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe: Philistia, be thou glad of me.

9 Who will lead me into the strong city: who will bring me into Edom?

10 Hast not thou cast us out, O God: wilt not thou, O God, go out with our hosts?

11 O be thou our help in trouble: for vain is the help of man.

12 Through God will we do great acts: for it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

Ps. lxi. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR my crying, O God: give ear unto my prayer.

2 From the ends of the earth will I call upon thee: when my heart is in heaviness.

3 O set me up upon the rock that is higher than I: for thou hast been my hope, and a strong tower for me against the enemy.

4 I will dwell in thy tabernacle for ever: and my trust shall be under the covering of thy wings.

5 For thou, O Lord, hast heard my desires: and hast given an heritage unto those that fear thy Name.

6 Thou shalt grant the King a long life: that his years may endure throughout all generations.

7 He shall dwell before God for ever: O prepare thy loving-mercy and faithfulness, that they may preserve him.

8 So will I always sing praise unto thy Name: that I may daily perform my vows.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm lxii. *Nonne Deo?*

MY soul truly waiteth still upon God: for of him cometh my salvation.

2 He verily is my strength and my salvation: he is my defence, so that I shall not greatly fall.

3 How long will ye imagine

mischief against every man : ye shall be slain all the sort of you; yea, as a tottering wall shall ye be, and like a broken hedge.

4 Their device is only how to put him out whom God will exalt : their delight is in lies; they give good words with their mouth, but curse with their heart.

5 Nevertheless, my soul, wait thou still upon God : for my hope is in him.

6 He truly is my strength and my salvation : he is my defence, so that I shall not fall

7 In God is my health and my glory : the rock of my might, and in God is my trust.

8 O put your trust in him alway, ye people : pour out your hearts before him; for God is our hope.

9 As for the children of men, they are but vanity : the children of men are deceitful upon the weights; they are altogether lighter than vanity itself.

10 O trust not in wrong and robbery; give not yourselves unto vanity : if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.

11 God spake once, and twice I have also heard the same : that power belongeth unto God;

12 And that thou, Lord, art merciful : for thou rewardest every man according to his work.

Ps. lxiii. *Deus, Deus meus.*

O GOD, thou art my God : early will I seek thee.

2 My soul thirsteth for thee; my flesh also longeth after thee : in a barren and dry land, where no water is.

3 Thus have I looked for thee in holiness : that I might behold thy power and glory.

4 For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself : my lips shall praise thee.

5 As long as I live, will I magnify thee on this manner : and lift up my hands in thy Name.

6 My soul shall be satisfied, even as it were with marrow and fatness : when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips.

7 Have I not remembered thee in my bed : and thought upon thee when I was waking?

8 Because thou hast been my helper : therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.

9 My soul hangeth upon thee : thy right hand hath upholden me.

10 These also that seek the hurt of my soul : they shall go under the earth.

11 Let them fall upon the edge of the sword : that they may be a portion for foxes.

12 But the King shall rejoice in God; all they also that swear by him, shall be commended : for the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.

Ps. lxiv. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR my voice, O God, in my prayer : preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

2 Hide me from the gathering together of the froward : and from the insurrection of wicked doers;

3 Who have whet their tongue like a sword : and shoot out their arrows, even bitter words;

4 That they may privily shoot at him that is perfect : suddenly do they hit him, and fear not.

5 They encourage themselves in mischief : and commune among themselves, how they may lay snares, and say, that no man shall see them.

6 They imagine wickedness, and practise it : that they keep secret among themselves, every man in the deep of his heart.

7 But God shall suddenly shoot at them with a swift arrow : that they shall be wounded.

8 Yea, their own tongues shall make them fall : insomuch that whoso seeth them, shall laugh them to scorn.

9 And all men that see it, shall say, This hath God done : for they shall perceive, that it is his work.

10 The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord, and put his trust in him : and all they, that are true of heart, shall be glad.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm lxv. *Te decet hymnus.*

THOU, O God, art praised in Sion : and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.

2 Thou that hearest the prayer : unto thee shall all flesh come.

3 My misdeeds prevail against me : O be thou merciful unto our sins.

4 Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and receivest unto thee : he shall dwell in thy court, and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

5 Thou shalt shew us wonderful things in thy righteousness, O God of our salvation : thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea.

6 Who in his strength setteth fast the mountains : and is girded about with power.

7 Who stilleth the raging of the sea : and the noise of his waves, and the madness of the people.

8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens : thou that makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to praise thee.

9 Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it : thou makest it very plenteous.

10 The river of God is full of water : thou preparest their corn; for so thou providest for the earth.

11 Thou waterest her furrows, thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof : thou makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the increase of it.

12 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness : and thy clouds drop fatness.

13 They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness : and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.

14 The folds shall be full of sheep : the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn, that they shall laugh and sing.

Ps. lxvi. *Jubilate Deo.*

O BE joyful in God, all ye lands : sing praises unto the honour of his Name, make his praise to be glorious.

2 Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works : through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies be found liars unto thee.

3 For all the world shall worship thee : sing of thee, and praise thy Name.

4 O come hither, and behold the works of God : how wonderful he is in his doing toward the children of men!

5 He turned the sea into dry land : so that they went through the water on foot; there did we rejoice thereof.

6 He ruleth with his power for ever; his eyes behold the people : and such as will not believe, shall not be able to exalt themselves.

7 O praise our God, ye people : and make the voice of his praise to be heard ;

8 Who holdeth our soul in life : and suffereth not our feet to slip.

9 For thou, O God, hast proved us : thou also hast tried us, like as silver is tried.

10 Thou broughtest us into the snare : and laidest trouble upon our loins.

11 Thou sufferedst men to ride over our heads : we went through fire and water, and thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.

12 I will go into thine house with burnt-offerings : and will pay thee my vows, which I promised with my lips, and spake with my mouth, when I was in trouble.

13 I will offer unto thee fat burnt-sacrifices, with the incense of rams : I will offer bullocks and goats.

14 O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God : and I will tell you what he hath done for my soul.

15 I called unto him with my mouth : and gave him praises with my tongue.

16 If I incline unto wickedness with mine heart : the Lord will not hear me.

17 But God hath heard me : and considered the voice of my prayer.

18 Praised be God, who hath not cast out my prayer : nor turned his mercy from me.

Ps. lxvii. *Deus misereatur.*

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us ;

2 That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.

3 Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

4 O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

5 Let the people praise thee, O God : let all the people praise thee.

6 Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

7 God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm lxviii. *Exurgat Deus.*

LET God arise, and let his enemies be scattered : let them also that hate him, flee before him.

2 Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away : and like as wax melteth at the fire, so let the ungodly perish at the presence of God.

3 But let the righteous be glad, and rejoice before God : let them also be merry and joyful.

4 O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his Name : magnify him that rideth upon the heavens, as it were upon an horse ; praise him in his Name JAH, and rejoice before him.

5 He is a Father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the widows : even God in his holy habitation.

6 He is the God, that maketh men to be of one mind in an house, and bringeth the prisoners out of captivity : but letteth the runagates continue in scarceness.

7 O God, when thou wentest forth before the people : when

thou wentest through the wilderness;

8 The earth shook, and the heavens dropped at the presence of God: even as Sinai also was moved at the presence of God, who is the God of Israel.

9 Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine inheritance: and refreshedst it, when it was weary.

10 Thy congregation shall dwell therein: for thou, O God, hast of thy goodness prepared for the poor.

11 The Lord gave the word: great was the company of the preachers.

12 Kings with their armies did flee, and were discomfited: and they of the household divided the spoil.

13 Though ye have lien among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove: that is covered with silver wings, and her feathers like gold.

14 When the Almighty scattered kings for their sake: then were they as white as snow in Salmon.

15 As the hill of Basan, so is God's hill: even an high hill, as the hill of Basan.

16 Why hop ye so, ye high hills? this is God's hill, in the which it pleaseth him to dwell: yea, the Lord will abide in it for ever.

17 The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels: and the Lord is among them, as in the holy place of Sinai.

18 Thou art gone up on high, thou hast led captivity captive, and received gifts for men: yea, even for thine enemies, that the Lord God might dwell among them.

19 Praised be the Lord daily: even the God who helpeth us, and poureth his benefits upon us.

20 He is our God, even the God, of whom cometh salvation: God is the Lord, by whom we escape death.

21 God shall wound the head of his enemies: and the hairy scalp of such a one as goeth on still in his wickedness.

22 The Lord hath said, I will bring my people again, as I did from Basan: mine own will I bring again, as I did sometime from the deep of the sea.

23 That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of thine enemies: and that the tongue of thy dogs may be red through the same.

24 It is well seen, O God, how thou goest: how thou, my God and King, goest in the sanctuary.

25 The singers go before; the minstrels follow after: in the midst are the damsels playing with the timbrels.

26 Give thanks, O Israel, unto God the Lord in the congregations: from the ground of the heart.

27 There is little Benjamin their ruler, and the princes of Judah their council: the princes of Zabulon, and the princes of Nephthali.

28 Thy God hath sent forth strength for thee: stablish the thing, O God, that thou hast wrought in us,

29 For thy temple's sake at Jerusalem: so shall kings bring presents unto thee.

30 When the company of the spearmen and multitude of the mighty are scattered abroad among the beasts of the people, so that they humbly bring pieces of silver: and when he hath scattered the people that delight in war;

31 Then shall the princes come

out of Egypt : the Morians' land shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.

32 Sing unto God, O ye kingdoms of the earth : O sing praises unto the Lord,

33 Who sitteth in the heavens over all from the beginning : lo, he doth send out his voice, yea, and that a mighty voice.

34 Ascribe ye the power to God over Israel : his worship and strength is in the clouds.

35 O God, wonderful art thou in thy holy places : even the God of Israel; he will give strength and power unto his people; blessed be God.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm lxix. *Salvum me fac.*

SAVE me, O God : for the waters are come in, even unto my soul.

2 I stick fast in the deep mire, where no ground is : I am come into deep waters, so that the floods run over me.

3 I am weary of crying; my throat is dry : my sight faileth me for waiting so long upon my God.

4 They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of my head : they that are mine enemies, and would destroy me guiltless, are mighty.

5 I paid them the things that I never took : God, thou knowest my simpleness, and my faults are not hid from thee.

6 Let not them that trust in thee, O Lord God of hosts, be ashamed for my cause : let not those, that seek thee, be confounded through me, O Lord God of Israel.

7 And why? for thy sake have I suffered reproof : shame hath covered my face.

8 I am become a stranger unto my brethren : even an alien unto my mother's children.

9 For the zeal of thine house hath even eaten me : and the rebukes of them that rebuked thee are fallen upon me.

10 I wept and chastened myself with fasting : and that was turned to my reproof.

11 I put on sackcloth also : and they jested upon me.

12 They that sit in the gates speak against me : and the drunkards make songs upon me.

13 But, Lord, I make my prayer unto thee : in an acceptable time.

14 Hear me, O God, in the multitude of thy mercy : even in the truth of thy salvation.

15 Take me out of the mire, that I sink not : O let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

16 Let not the water-flood drown me, neither let the deep swallow me up : and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

17 Hear me, O Lord, for thy loving-kindness is comfortable : turn thee unto me, according to the multitude of thy mercies.

18 And hide not thy face from thy servant, for I am in trouble : O haste thee, and hear me.

19 Draw nigh unto my soul, and save it : O deliver me, because of mine enemies.

20 Thou hast known my reproof, my shame, and my dishonour : mine adversaries are all in thy sight.

21 Thy rebuke hath broken my heart; I am full of heaviness : I looked for some to have pity on me; but there was no man; neither found I any to comfort me.

22 They gave me gall to eat :

and when I was thirsty, they gave me vinegar to drink.

23 Let their table be made a snare to take themselves withal: and let the things, that should have been for their wealth, be unto them an occasion of falling.

24 Let their eyes be blinded, that they see not: and ever bow thou down their backs.

25 Pour out thine indignation upon them: and let thy wrathful displeasure take hold of them.

26 Let their habitation be void: and no man to dwell in their tents.

27 For they persecute him, whom thou hast smitten: and they talk, how they may vex them, whom thou hast wounded.

28 Let them fall from one wickedness to another: and not come into thy righteousness.

29 Let them be wiped out of the book of the living: and not be written among the righteous.

30 As for me, when I am poor and in heaviness: thy help, O God, shall lift me up.

31 I will praise the Name of God with a song: and magnify it with thanksgiving.

32 This also shall please the Lord: better than a bullock that hath horns and hoofs.

33 The humble shall consider this, and be glad: seek ye after God, and your soul shall live.

34 For the Lord heareth the poor: and despiseth not his prisoners.

35 Let heaven and earth praise him: the sea, and all that moveth therein.

36 For God will save Sion, and build the cities of Judah: that men may dwell there, and have it in possession.

37 The posterity also of his servants shall inherit it: and they, that love his Name, shall dwell therein.

Ps. lxx. *Deus, in adjutorium.*

HASTE thee, O God, to deliver me: make haste to help me, O Lord.

2 Let them be ashamed and confounded, that seek after my soul: let them be turned backward, and put to confusion, that wish me evil.

3 Let them for their reward be soon brought to shame: that cry over me, There, there.

4 But let all those that seek thee, be joyful and glad in thee: and let all such as delight in thy salvation, say alway, The Lord be praised.

5 As for me, I am poor, and in misery: haste thee unto me, O God.

6 Thou art my helper, and redeemer: O Lord, make no long tarrying.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm lxxi. *In te, Domine, speravi.*

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust; let me never be put to confusion: but rid me, and deliver me in thy righteousness; incline thine ear unto me, and save me.

2 Be thou my strong hold, whereunto I may alway resort: thou hast promised to help me; for thou art my house of defence, and my castle.

3 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly: out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

4 For thou, O Lord God, art the thing that I long for: thou art my hope, even from my youth.

5 Through thee have I been holden up, ever since I was born: thou art he, that took me out of

my mother's womb; my praise shall be always of thee.

6 I am become as it were a monster unto many: but my sure trust is in thee.

7 O let my mouth be filled with thy praise: that I may sing of thy glory and honour all the day long.

8 Cast me not away in the time of age: forsake me not when my strength faileth me.

9 For mine enemies speak against me; and they that lay wait for my soul take their counsel together, saying: God hath forsaken him; persecute him, and take him; for there is none to deliver him.

10 Go not far from me, O God: my God, haste thee to help me.

11 Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul: let them be covered with shame and dishonour that seek to do me evil.

12 As for me, I will patiently abide alway: and will praise thee more and more.

13 My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation: for I know no end thereof.

14 I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God: and will make mention of thy righteousness only.

15 Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now: therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.

16 Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed: until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.

17 Thy righteousness, O God, is very high: and great things are they that thou hast done; O God, who is like unto thee!

18 O what great troubles and adversities hast thou shewed me! and yet didst thou turn and refresh me: yea, and broughtest me from the deep of the earth again.

19 Thou hast brought me to great honour: and comforted me on every side.

20 Therefore will I praise thee and thy faithfulness, O God, playing upon an instrument of music: unto thee will I sing upon the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.

21 My lips will be fain, when I sing unto thee: and so will my soul, whom thou hast delivered.

22 My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long: for they are confounded, and brought unto shame, that seek to do me evil.

Ps. lxxii. *Deus, judicium.*

GIVE the King thy judgements, O God: and thy righteousness unto the King's son.

2 Then shall he judge thy people according unto right: and defend the poor.

3 The mountains also shall bring peace: and the little hills righteousness unto the people.

4 He shall keep the simple folk by their right: defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong doer.

5 They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth: from one generation to another.

6 He shall come down like the rain into a fleece of wool: even as the drops that water the earth.

7 In his time shall the righteous flourish: yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.

8 His dominion shall be also from the one sea to the other: and from the flood unto the world's end.

9 They that dwell in the wil-

derness shall kneel before him : his enemies shall lick the dust.

10 The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents : the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.

11 All kings shall fall down before him : all nations shall do him service.

12 For he shall deliver the poor when he crieth : the needy also, and him that hath no helper.

13 He shall be favourable to the simple and needy : and shall preserve the souls of the poor.

14 He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong : and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

15 He shall live, and unto him shall be given of the gold of Arabia : prayer shall be made ever unto him, and daily shall he be praised.

16 There shall be an heap of corn in the earth, high upon the hills : his fruit shall shake like Libanus, and shall be green in the city, like grass upon the earth.

17 His Name shall endure for ever; his Name shall remain under the sun among the posterities : which shall be blessed through him; and all the heathen shall praise him.

18 Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel : which only doeth wondrous things;

19 And blessed be the Name of his Majesty for ever : and all the earth shall be filled with his Majesty. Amen, Amen.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm lxxiii. *Quam bonus Israel!*

TRULY God is loving unto Israel : even unto such as are of a clean heart.

2 Nevertheless, my feet were almost gone : my treadings had well nigh slipped.

3 And why? I was grieved at the wicked : I do also see the ungodly in such prosperity.

4 For they are in no peril of death : but are lusty and strong.

5 They come in no misfortune like other folk : neither are they plagued like other men.

6 And this is the cause that they are so holden with pride : and overwhelmed with cruelty.

7 Their eyes swell with fatness : and they do even what they lust.

8 They corrupt other, and speak of wicked blasphemy : their talking is against the Most High.

9 For they stretch forth their mouth unto the heaven : and their tongue goeth through the world.

10 Therefore fall the people unto them : and thereout suck they no small advantage.

11 Tush, say they, how should God perceive it : is there knowledge in the Most High?

12 Lo, these are the ungodly, these prosper in the world, and these have riches in possession : and I said, Then have I cleansed my heart in vain, and washed mine hands in innocency.

13 All the day long have I been punished : and chastened every morning.

14 Yea, and I had almost said even as they : but lo, then I should have condemned the generation of thy children.

15 Then thought I to understand this : but it was too hard for me;

16 Until I went into the sanctuary of God : then understood I the end of these men;

17 Namely, how thou dost set them in slippery places : and

castest them down, and destroyest them.

18 Oh, how suddenly do they consume : perish, and come to a fearful end!

19 Yea, even like as a dream when one awaketh : so shalt thou make their image to vanish out of the city.

20 Thus my heart was grieved : and it went even through my reins.

21 So foolish was I, and ignorant : even as it were a beast before thee.

22 Nevertheless, I am alway by thee : for thou hast holden me by my right hand.

23 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel : and after that receive me with glory.

24 Whom have I in heaven but thee : and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of thee.

25 My flesh and my heart faileth : but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

26 For lo, they that forsake thee shall perish : thou hast destroyed all them that commit fornication against thee.

27 But it is good for me to hold me fast by God, to put my trust in the Lord God : and to speak of all thy works in the gates of the daughter of Sion.

Ps. lxxiv. *Ut quid, Deus?*

O GOD, wherefore art thou absent from us so long : why is thy wrath so hot against the sheep of thy pasture?

2 O think upon thy congregation : whom thou hast purchased, and redeemed of old.

3 Think upon the tribe of thine inheritance : and mount Sion, wherein thou hast dwelt.

4 Lift up thy feet, that thou mayest utterly destroy every enemy : which hath done evil in thy sanctuary.

5 Thine adversaries roar in the midst of thy congregations : and set up their banners for tokens.

6 He that hewed timber afore out of the thick trees : was known to bring it to an excellent work.

7 But now they break down all the carved work thereof: with axes and hammers.

8 They have set fire upon thy holy places : and have defiled the dwelling-place of thy Name, even unto the ground.

9 Yea, they said in their hearts, Let us make havock of them altogether : thus have they burnt up all the houses of God in the land.

10 We see not our tokens; there is not one prophet more : no, not one is there among us that understandeth any more.

11 O God, how long shall the adversary do this dishonour : how long shall the enemy blaspheme thy Name? for ever?

12 Why withdrawest thou thy hand : why pluckest thou not thy right hand out of thy bosom, to consume the enemy?

13 For God is my King of old : the help that is done upon earth, he doeth it himself.

14 Thou didst divide the sea through thy power : thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the waters.

15 Thou smotest the heads of Leviathan in pieces : and gavest him to be meat for the people in the wilderness.

16 Thou broughtest out fountains, and waters out of the hard rocks : thou driedst up mighty waters.

17 The day is thine, and the night is thine : thou hast prepared the light and the sun.

18 Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: thou hast made summer and winter.

19 Remember this, O Lord, how the enemy hath rebuked: and how the foolish people hath blasphemed thy Name.

20 O deliver not the soul of thy turtle-dove unto the multitude of the enemies: and forget not the congregation of the poor for ever.

21 Look upon the covenant: for all the earth is full of darkness and cruel habitations.

22 O let not the simple go away ashamed: but let the poor and needy give praise unto thy Name.

23 Arise, O God, maintain thine own cause: remember how the foolish man blasphemeth thee daily.

24 Forget not the voice of thine enemies: the presumption of them, that hate thee, increaseth ever more and more.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm lxxv. *Confitebimur tibi.*

UNTO thee, O God, do we give thanks: yea, unto thee do we give thanks.

2 Thy Name also is so nigh: and that do thy wondrous works declare.

3 When I receive the congregation: I shall judge according unto right.

4 The earth is weak, and all the inhabiters thereof: I bear up the pillars of it.

5 I said unto the fools, Deal not so madly: and to the ungodly, Set not up your horn;

6 Set not up your horn on high: and speak not with a stiff neck.

7 For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west: not yet from the south.

8 And why? God is the Judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another.

9 For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, and the wine is red: it is full mixed, and he poureth out of the same.

10 As for the dregs thereof: all the ungodly of the earth shall drink them, and suck them out.

11 But I will talk of the God of Jacob: and praise him for ever.

12 All the horns of the ungodly also will I break: and the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

Ps. lxxvi. *Notus in Judæa.*

IN Jewry is God known: his Name is great in Israel.

2 At Salem is his tabernacle: and his dwelling in Sion.

3 There brake he the arrows of the bow: the shield, the sword, and the battle.

4 Thou art of more honour and might: than the hills of the robbers.

5 The proud are robbed, they have slept their sleep: and all the men, whose hands were mighty, have found nothing.

6 At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob: both the chariot and horse are fallen.

7 Thou, even thou, art to be feared: and who may stand in thy sight, when thou art angry?

8 Thou didst cause thy judgement to be heard from heaven: the earth trembled, and was still,

9 When God arose to judgement: and to help all the meek upon earth.

10 The fierceness of man shall turn to thy praise: and the fierceness of them shalt thou refrain.

11 Promise unto the Lord your God, and keep it, all ye that are

round about him : bring presents unto him that ought to be feared.

12 He shall refrain the spirit of princes : and is wonderful among the kings of the earth.

Ps. lxxvii. *Voce mea.*

I WILL cry unto God with my voice : even unto God will I cry with my voice, and he shall hearken unto me.

2 In the time of my trouble I sought the Lord : my sore ran, and ceased not in the night-season ; my soul refused comfort.

3 When I am in heaviness, I will think upon God : when my heart is vexed, I will complain.

4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking : I am so feeble, that I cannot speak.

5 I have considered the days of old : and the years that are past.

6 I call to remembrance my song : and in the night I commune with mine own heart, and search out my spirits.

7 Will the Lord absent himself for ever : and will he be no more intreated ?

8 Is his mercy clean gone for ever : and is his promise come utterly to an end for evermore ?

9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious : and will he shut up his loving-kindness in displeasure ?

10 And I said, It is mine own infirmity : but I will remember the years of the right hand of the Most Highest.

11 I will remember the works of the Lord : and call to mind thy wonders of old time.

12 I will think also of all thy works : and my talking shall be of thy doings.

13 Thy way, O God, is holy : who is so great a God as our God ?

14 Thou art the God that doest wonders : and hast declared thy power among the people.

15 Thou hast mightily delivered thy people : even the sons of Jacob and Joseph.

16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee, and were afraid : the depths also were troubled.

17 The clouds poured out water; the air thundered : and thine arrows went abroad.

18 The voice of thy thunder was heard round about : the lightnings shone upon the ground ; the earth was moved, and shook withal.

19 Thy way is in the sea, and thy paths in the great waters : and thy footsteps are not known.

20 Thou leddest thy people like sheep : by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm lxxviii. *Attendite, popule.*

HEAR my law, O my people : incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.

2 I will open my mouth in a parable : I will declare hard sentences of old ;

3 Which we have heard and known : and such as our fathers have told us ;

4 That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come : but to shew the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.

5 He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law : which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children ;

6 That their posterity might know it : and the children which were yet unborn ;

7 To the intent, that when they came up : they might shew their children the same ;

8 That they might put their trust in God : and not to forget the works of God, but to keep his commandments;

9 And not to be as their forefathers, a faithless and stubborn generation : a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit cleaveth not stedfastly unto God;

10 Like as the children of Ephraim : who being harnessed, and carrying bows, turned themselves back in the day of battle.

11 They kept not the covenant of God : and would not walk in his law;

12 But forgat what he had done : and the wonderful works that he had shewed for them.

13 Marvellous things did he in the sight of our forefathers, in the land of Egypt : even in the field of Zoan.

14 He divided the sea, and let them go through : he made the waters to stand on an heap.

15 In the day-time also he led them with a cloud : and all the night through with a light of fire.

16 He clave the hard rocks in the wilderness : and gave them drink thereof, as it had been out of the great depth.

17 He brought waters out of the stony rock : so that it gushed out like the rivers.

18 Yet for all this they sinned more against him : and provoked the Most Highest in the wilderness.

19 They tempted God in their hearts : and required meat for their lust.

20 They spake against God also, saying : Shall God prepare a table in the wilderness?

21 He smote the stony rock indeed, that the waters gushed out, and the streams flowed withal : but can he give bread also, or provide flesh for his people?

22 When the Lord heard this, he was wroth : so the fire was kindled in Jacob, and there came up heavy displeasure against Israel;

23 Because they believed not in God : and put not their trust in his help.

24 So he commanded the clouds above : and opened the doors of heaven.

25 He rained down manna also upon them for to eat : and gave them food from heaven.

26 So man did eat angels' food : for he sent them meat enough.

27 He caused the east-wind to blow under heaven : and through his power he brought in the south-west wind.

28 He rained flesh upon them as thick as dust : and feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea.

29 He let it fall among their tents : even round about their habitation.

30 So they did eat, and were well filled; for he gave them their own desire : they were not disappointed of their lust.

31 But while the meat was yet in their mouths, the heavy wrath of God came upon them, and slew the wealthiest of them : yea, and smote down the chosen men that were in Israel.

32 But for all this they sinned yet more : and believed not his wondrous works.

33 Therefore their days did he consume in vanity : and their years in trouble.

34 When he slew them, they sought him : and turned them early, and inquired after God.

35 And they remembered that God was their strength : and that the high God was their Redeemer.

36 Nevertheless, they did but

flatter him with their mouth : and dissembled with him in their tongue.

37 For their heart was not whole with him : neither continued they stedfast in his covenant.

38 But he was so merciful, that he forgave their misdeeds : and destroyed them not.

39 Yea, many a time turned he his wrath away : and would not suffer his whole displeasure to arise.

40 For he considered, that they were but flesh : and that they were even a wind that passeth away, and cometh not again.

41 Many a time did they provoke him in the wilderness : and grieved him in the desert.

42 They turned back, and tempted God : and moved the Holy One in Israel.

43 They thought not of his hand : and of the day when he delivered them from the hand of the enemy;

44 How he had wrought his miracles in Egypt : and his wonders in the field of Zoan.

45 He turned their waters into blood : so that they might not drink of the rivers.

46 He sent lice among them, and devoured them up : and frogs to destroy them.

47 He gave their fruit unto the caterpillar : and their labour unto the grasshopper.

48 He destroyed their vines with hailstones : and their mulberry-trees with the frost.

49 He smote their cattle also with hailstones : and their flocks with hot thunder-bolts.

50 He cast upon them the furiousness of his wrath, anger, displeasure, and trouble : and sent evil angels among them.

51 He made a way to his indignation, and spared not their soul from death : but gave their life over to the pestilence;

52 And smote all the first-born in Egypt : the most principal and mightiest in the dwellings of Ham.

53 But as for his own people, he led them forth like sheep : and carried them in the wilderness like a flock.

54 He brought them out safely, that they should not fear : and overwhelmed their enemies with the sea;

55 And brought them within the borders of his sanctuary : even to his mountain, which he purchased with his right hand.

56 He cast out the heathen also before them : caused their land to be divided among them for an heritage, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents.

57 So they tempted, and displeased the most high God : and kept not his testimonies;

58 But turned their backs, and fell away like their forefathers : starting aside like a broken bow.

59 For they grieved him with their hill-altars : and provoked him to displeasure with their images.

60 When God heard this, he was wroth : and took sore displeasure at Israel;

61 So that he forsook the tabernacle in Silo : even the tent that he had pitched among men.

62 He delivered their power into captivity : and their beauty into the enemy's hand.

63 He gave his people over also unto the sword : and was wroth with his inheritance.

64 The fire consumed their young men : and their maidens were not given to marriage.

65 Their priests were slain with the sword : and there were no widows to make lamentation.

66 So the Lord awaked as one out of sleep : and like a giant refreshed with wine.

67 He smote his enemies in the hinder parts : and put them to a perpetual shame.

68 He refused the tabernacle of Joseph : and chose not the tribe of Ephraim;

69 But chose the tribe of Judah : even the hill of Sion, which he loved.

70 And there he built his temple on high : and laid the foundation of it like the ground, which he hath made continually.

71 He chose David also his servant : and took him away from the sheepfolds.

72 As he was following the ewes great with young ones, he took him : that he might feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.

73 So he fed them with a faithful and true heart : and ruled them prudently with all his power.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm lxxix. *Deus, venerunt.*

O GOD, the heathen are come into thine inheritance : thy holy temple have they defiled, and made Jerusalem an heap of stones.

2 The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the air : and the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the land.

3 Their blood have they shed like water on every side of Jerusalem : and there was no man to bury them.

4 We are become an open shame to our enemies : a very scorn and derision unto them that are round about us.

5 Lord, how long wilt thou be angry : shall thy jealousy burn like fire for ever?

6 Pour out thine indignation upon the heathen that have not known thee : and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy Name.

7 For they have devoured Jacob : and laid waste his dwelling-place

8 O remember not our old sins; but have mercy upon us, and that soon : for we are come to great misery.

9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy Name : O deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins, for thy Name's sake.

10 Wherefore do the heathen say : Where is now their God?

11 O let the vengeance of thy servants' blood that is shed : be openly shewed upon the heathen in our sight.

12 O let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come before thee : according to the greatness of thy power, preserve thou those that are appointed to die.

13 And for the blasphemy, wherewith our neighbours have blasphemed thee : reward thou them, O Lord, sevenfold into their bosom.

14 So we that are thy people, and sheep of thy pasture, shall give thee thanks for ever : and will alway be shewing forth thy praise from generation to generation.

Ps. lxxx. *Qui regis, Israel.*

HEAR, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep : shew thyself also, thou that sittest upon the cherubims.

2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasses : stir up thy

strength, and come, and help us.

3 Turn us again, O God : shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

4 O Lord God of hosts : how long wilt thou be angry with thy people that prayeth?

5 Thou feedest them with the bread of tears : and givest them plenteousness of tears to drink.

6 Thou hast made us a very strife unto our neighbours : and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

7 Turn us again, thou God of hosts : shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

8 Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt : thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it;

9 Thou madest room for it : and when it had taken root, it filled the land.

10 The hills were covered with the shadow of it : and the boughs thereof were like the goodly cedar-trees.

11 She stretched out her branches unto the sea : and her boughs unto the river.

12 Why hast thou then broken down her hedge : that all they, that go by, pluck off her grapes?

13 The wild boar out of the wood doth root it up : and the wild beasts of the field devour it.

14 Turn thee again, thou God of hosts, look down from heaven : behold, and visit this vine;

15 And the place of the vineyard, that thy right hand hath planted : and the branch, that thou madest so strong for thyself.

16 It is burnt with fire and cut down : and they shall perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.

17 Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand : and upon the son of man, whom thou madest so strong for thine own self.

18 And so will not we go back from thee : O let us live, and we shall call upon thy Name.

19 Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts : shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

Ps. lxxxi. *Exultate Deo.*

SING ye merrily unto God our strength : make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.

2 Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret : the merry harp with the lute.

3 Blow up the trumpet in the new moon : even in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast day.

4 For this was made a statute for Israel : and a law of the God of Jacob.

5 This he ordained in Joseph for a testimony : when he came out of the land of Egypt, and had heard a strange language.

6 I eased his shoulder from the burden : and his hands were delivered from making the pots.

7 Thou calledst upon me in troubles, and I delivered thee : and heard thee, what time as the storm fell upon thee.

8 I proved thee also : at the waters of strife.

9 Hear, O my people, and I will assure thee, O Israel : if thou wilt hearken unto me,

10 There shall no strange god be in thee : neither shalt thou worship any other god.

11 I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt : open thy mouth wide, and I shall fill it.

12 But my people would not hear my voice : and Israel would not obey me.

13 So I gave them up unto their own hearts' lusts : and let them follow their own imaginations.

14 O that my people would have hearkened unto me : for if Israel had walked in my ways,

15 I should soon have put down their enemies : and turned my hand against their adversaries.

16 The haters of the Lord should have been found liars : but their time should have endured for ever.

17 He should have fed them also with the finest wheat flour : and with honey out of the stony rock should I have satisfied thee.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm lxxxii. *Deus stetit.*

GOD standeth in the congregation of princes : he is a Judge among gods.

2 How long will ye give wrong judgement : and accept the persons of the ungodly?

3 Defend the poor and fatherless : see that such as are in need and necessity have right.

4 Deliver the outcast and poor : save them from the hand of the ungodly.

5 They will not be learned, nor understand, but walk on still in darkness : all the foundations of the earth are out of course.

6 I have said, Ye are gods : and ye are all the children of the Most Highest.

7 But ye shall die like men : and fall like one of the princes.

8 Arise, O God, and judge thou the earth : for thou shalt take all heathen to thine inheritance.

Ps. lxxxiii. *Deus, quis similis?*

HOLD not thy tongue, O God, keep not still silence : refrain not thyself, O God.

2 For lo, thine enemies make a murmuring : and they that hate thee have lift up their head.

3 They have imagined craftily against thy people : and taken counsel against thy secret ones.

4 They have said, Come, and let us root them out, that they be no more a people : and that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.

5 For they have cast their heads together with one consent : and are confederate against thee;

6 The tabernacles of the Edomites, and the Ishmaelites : the Moabites, and Hagarens;

7 Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek : the Philistines, with them that dwell at Tyre.

8 Assur also is joined with them : and have holpen the children of Lot.

9 But do thou to them as unto the Madianites : unto Sisera, and unto Jabin, at the brook of Kison;

10 Who perished at Endor : and became as the dung of the earth.

11 Make them and their princes like Oreb and Zeb : yea, make all their princes like as Zeba and Salmana;

12 Who say, Let us take to ourselves : the houses of God in possession.

13 O my God, make them like unto a wheel : and as the stubble before the wind;

14 Like as the fire that burneth up the wood : and as the flame that consumeth the mountains.

15 Persecute them even so with thy tempest : and make them afraid with thy storm.

16 Make their faces ashamed, O Lord : that they may seek thy Name.

17 Let them be confounded and vexed ever more and more : let them be put to shame, and perish.

18 And they shall know, that thou, whose Name is Jehovah : art only the Most Highest over all the earth.

Ps. lxxxiv. *Quam dilecta!*

O HOW amiable are thy dwellings : thou Lord of hosts!

2 My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord : my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

3 Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young : even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house : they will be alway praising thee.

5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee : in whose heart are thy ways.

6 Who going through the vale of misery, use it for a well : and the pools are filled with water.

7 They will go from strength to strength : and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer : hearken, O God of Jacob.

9 Behold, O God our defender : and look upon the face of thine Anointed.

10 For one day in thy courts : is better than a thousand.

11 I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God : than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

12 For the Lord God is a light and defence : the Lord will give grace and worship; and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

13 O Lord God of hosts : blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

Ps. lxxxv. *Benedixisti, Domine.*

LORD, thou art become gracious unto thy land : thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

2 Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people : and covered all their sins.

3 Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure : and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation.

4 Turn us then, O God our Saviour : and let thine anger cease from us.

5 Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever : and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation to another?

6 Wilt thou not turn again, and quicken us : that thy people may rejoice in thee?

7 Shew us thy mercy, O Lord : and grant us thy salvation.

8 I will hearken, what the Lord God will say concerning me : for he shall speak peace unto his people, and to his saints, that they turn not again.

9 For his salvation is nigh them that fear him : that glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth are met together : righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

11 Truth shall flourish out of the earth : and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.

12 Yea, the Lord shall shew loving-kindness : and our land shall give her increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him : and he shall direct his going in the way.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm lxxxvi. *Inclina, Domine.*

BOW down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me : for I am poor, and in misery.

2 Preserve thou my soul, for I am holy : my God, save thy servant, that putteth his trust in thee.

3 Be merciful unto me, O Lord : for I will call daily upon thee.

4 Comfort the soul of thy servant : for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

5 For thou, Lord, art good and gracious : and of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

6 Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer : and ponder the voice of my humble desires.

7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon thee : for thou hearest me.

8 Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord : there is not one that can do as thou doest.

9 All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship thee, O Lord : and shall glorify thy Name.

10 For thou art great, and doest wondrous things : thou art God alone.

11 Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth : O knit my heart unto thee, that I may fear thy Name.

12 I will thank thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart : and will praise thy Name for evermore.

13 For great is thy mercy toward me : and thou hast delivered my soul from the nethermost hell.

14 O God, the proud are risen against me : and the congregations of naughty men have sought after my soul, and have not set thee before their eyes.

15 But thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy : long-suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.

16 O turn thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me : give thy strength unto thy servant, and help the son of thine handmaid

17 Shew some token upon me for good, that they who hate me may see it, and be ashamed : because thou, Lord, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

Ps. lxxxvii. *Fundamenta ejus.*

HER foundations are upon the holy hills : the Lord loveth the gates of Sion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

2 Very excellent things are spoken of thee : thou city of God.

3 I will think upon Rahab and Babylon : with them that know me.

4 Behold ye the Philistines also : and they of Tyre, with the Morians; lo, there was he born.

5 And of Sion it shall be reported, that he was born in her : and the Most High shall stablish her.

6 The Lord shall rehearse it, when he writeth up the people : that he was born there.

7 The singers also and trumpeters shall he rehearse : all my fresh springs shall be in thee.

Ps. lxxxviii. *Domine Deus.*

O LORD God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before thee : O let my prayer enter into thy presence; incline thine ear unto my calling.

2 For my soul is full of trouble : and my life draweth nigh unto hell.

3 I am counted as one of them that go down into the pit : and I have been even as a man that hath no strength;

4 Free among the dead, like unto them that are wounded,

and lie in the grave : who are out of remembrance, and are cut away from thy hand.

5 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit : in a place of darkness, and in the deep.

6 Thine indignation lieth hard upon me : and thou hast vexed me with all thy storms.

7 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me : and made me to be abhorred of them.

8 I am so fast in prison that I cannot get forth.

9 My sight faileth for very trouble : Lord, I have called daily upon thee, I have stretched forth my hands unto thee.

10 Dost thou shew wonders among the dead : or shall the dead rise up again, and praise thee?

11 Shall thy loving-kindness be shewed in the grave : or thy faithfulness in destruction?

12 Shall thy wondrous works be known in the dark : and thy righteousness in the land where all things are forgotten?

13 Unto thee have I cried, O Lord : and early shall my prayer come before thee.

14 Lord, why abhorrest thou my soul : and hidest thou thy face from me?

15 I am in misery, and like unto him that is at the point to die : even from my youth up thy terrors have I suffered with a troubled mind.

16 Thy wrathful displeasure goeth over me : and the fear of thee hath undone me.

17 They came round about me daily like water : and compassed me together on every side.

18 My lovers and friends hast thou put away from me : and hid mine acquaintance out of my sight.

EVENING PRAYER.

Ps. lxxxix. *Misericordias Domini.*

MY song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord : with my mouth will I ever be shewing thy truth from one generation to another.

2 For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever : thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.

3 I have made a covenant with my chosen : I have sworn unto David my servant;

4 Thy seed will I stablish for ever : and set up thy throne from one generation to another.

5 O Lord, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works : and thy truth in the congregation of the saints.

6 For who is he among the clouds : that shall be compared unto the Lord?

7 And what is he among the gods : that shall be like unto the Lord?

8 God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints : and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about him.

9 O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee : thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.

10 Thou rulest the raging of the sea : thou stillest the waves thereof, when they arise.

11 Thou hast subdued Egypt, and destroyed it : thou hast scattered thine enemies abroad with thy mighty arm.

12 The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine : thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is.

13 Thou hast made the north and the south : Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy Name.

14 Thou hast a mighty arm :

strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

15 Righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat : mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

16 Blessed is the people, O Lord, that can rejoice in thee : they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.

17 Their delight shall be daily in thy Name : and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.

18 For thou art the glory of their strength : and in thy loving-kindness thou shalt lift up our horns.

19 For the Lord is our defence : the Holy One of Israel is our King.

20 Thou spakest sometime in visions unto thy saints, and saidst : I have laid help upon one that is mighty; I have exalted one chosen out of the people.

21 I have found David my servant : with my holy oil have I anointed him.

22 My hand shall hold him fast : and my arm shall strengthen him.

23 The enemy shall not be able to do him violence : the son of wickedness shall not hurt him.

24 I will smite down his foes before his face : and plague them that hate him.

25 My truth also and my mercy shall be with him : and in my Name shall his horn be exalted.

26 I will set his dominion also in the sea : and his right hand in the floods.

27 He shall call me, Thou art my Father : my God, and my strong salvation.

28 And I will make him my first-born : higher than the kings of the earth.

29 My mercy will I keep for him for evermore : and my covenant shall stand fast with him.

30 His seed also will I make to endure for ever : and his throne as the days of heaven.

31 But if his children forsake my law : and walk not in my judgements;

32 If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments : I will visit their offences with the rod, and their sin with scourges.

33 Nevertheless, my loving-kindness will I not utterly take from him : nor suffer my truth to fail.

34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips : I have sworn once by my holiness, that I will not fail David.

35 His seed shall endure for ever : and his seat is like as the sun before me.

36 He shall stand fast for evermore as the moon : and as the faithful witness in heaven.

37 But thou hast abhorred and forsaken thine Anointed : and art displeased at him.

38 Thou hast broken the covenant of thy servant : and cast his crown to the ground.

39 Thou hast overthrown all his hedges : and broken down his strong holds.

40 All they, that go by, spoil him : and he is become a reproach to his neighbours.

41 Thou hast set up the right hand of his enemies : and made all his adversaries to rejoice.

42 Thou hast taken away the edge of his sword : and givest him not victory in the battle.

43 Thou hast put out his glory : and cast his throne down to the ground.

44 The days of his youth hast

thou shortened : and covered him with dishonour.

45 Lord, how long wilt thou hide thyself, for ever : and shall thy wrath burn like fire?

46 O remember how short my time is : wherefore hast thou made all men for nought?

47 What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death : and shall he deliver his soul from the hand of hell?

48 Lord, where are thy old loving-kindnesses : which thou swarest unto David in thy truth?

49 Remember, Lord, the rebuke that thy servants have : and how I do bear in my bosom the rebukes of many people;

50 Wherewith thine enemies have blasphemed thee, and slandered the footsteps of thine Anointed : praised be the Lord for evermore. Amen, and Amen.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm xc. *Domine, refugium.*

LORD, thou hast been our refuge : from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made : thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.

3 Thou turnest man to destruction : again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.

4 For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday : seeing that is past as a watch in the night.

5 As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep : and fade away suddenly like the grass.

6 In the morning it is green, and groweth up : but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.

7 For we consume away in thy displeasure : and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.

8 Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee : and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

9 For when thou art angry, all our days are gone : we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

10 The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong, that they come to fourscore years : yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

11 But who regardeth the power of thy wrath : for even thereafter as a man feareth, so is thy displeasure.

12 So teach us to number our days : that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

13 Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last : and be gracious unto thy servants.

14 O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon : so shall we rejoice, and be glad all the days of our life.

15 Comfort us again, now after the time that thou hast plagued us : and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.

16 Shew thy servants thy work : and their children thy glory.

17 And the glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us : prosper thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper thou our handy-work.

Ps. xci. *Qui habitat.*

WHOSO dwelleth under the defence of the Most High : shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and my strong hold : my God, in him will I trust.

3 For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter : and from the noisome pestilence.

4 He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers : his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night : nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

6 For the pestilence that walketh in darkness : nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day.

7 A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand : but it shall not come nigh thee.

8 Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold : and see the reward of the ungodly.

9 For thou, Lord, art my hope : thou hast set thine house of defence very high.

10 There shall no evil happen unto thee : neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee : to keep thee in all thy ways.

12 They shall bear thee in their hands : that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

13 Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder : the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.

14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him : I will set him up, because he hath known my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will hear him : yea, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour.

16 With long life will I satisfy him : and shew him my salvation.

Ps. xcii. *Bonum est confiteri.*

IT is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord : and to sing praises unto thy Name, O Most Highest;

2 To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning : and of thy truth in the night-season;

3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the lute : upon a loud instrument, and upon the harp.

4 For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy works : and I will rejoice in giving praise for the operations of thy hands.

5 O Lord, how glorious are thy works : thy thoughts are very deep!

6 An unwise man doth not well consider this : and a fool doth not understand it.

7 When the ungodly are green as the grass, and when all the workers of wickedness do flourish : then shall they be destroyed for ever; but thou, Lord, art the Most Highest for evermore.

8 For lo, thine enemies, O Lord, lo, thine enemies shall perish : and all the workers of wickedness shall be destroyed.

9 But mine horn shall be exalted like the horn of an unicorn : for I am anointed with fresh oil.

10 Mine eye also shall see his lust of mine enemies : and mine ear shall hear his desire of the wicked, that arise up against me.

11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree : and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus.

12 Such as be planted in the house of the Lord : shall flourish in the courts of the house of our God.

13 They also shall bring forth

more fruit in their age : and shall be fat and well-liking;

14 That they may shew how true the Lord my strength is : and that there is no unrighteousness in him.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm xciii. *Dominus regnavit.*

THE Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel : the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.

2 He hath made the round world so sure : that it cannot be moved.

3 Ever since the world began, hath thy seat been prepared : thou art from everlasting.

4 The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their voice : the floods lift up their waves.

5 The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly : but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.

6 Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure : holiness becometh thine house for ever.

Ps. xciv. *Deus ultionum.*

O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth : thou God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself.

2 Arise, thou Judge of the world : and reward the proud after their deserving.

3 Lord, how long shall the ungodly : how long shall the ungodly triumph?

4 How long shall all wicked doers speak so disdainfully : and make such proud boasting?

5 They smite down thy people, O Lord : and trouble thine heritage.

6 They murder the widow, and the stranger : and put the fatherless to death.

7 And yet they say, Tush, the Lord shall not see : neither shall the God of Jacob regard it.

8 Take heed, ye unwise among the people : O ye fools, when will ye understand?

9 He that planted the ear, shall he not hear : or he that made the eye, shall he not see?

10 Or he that nurtureth the heathen : it is he that teacheth man knowledge, shall not he punish?

11 The Lord knoweth the thoughts of man : that they are but vain.

12 Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O Lord : and teachest him in thy law;

13 That thou mayest give him patience in time of adversity : until the pit be digged up for the ungodly.

14 For the Lord will not fail his people : neither will he forsake his inheritance;

15 Until righteousness turn again unto judgement : all such as are true in heart shall follow it.

16 Who will rise up with me against the wicked : or who will take my part against the evil doers?

17 If the Lord had not helped me : it had not failed, but my soul had been put to silence.

18 But when I said, My foot hath slipped : thy mercy, O Lord, held me up.

19 In the multitude of the sorrows that I had in my heart : thy comforts have refreshed my soul.

20 Wilt thou have any thing to do with the stool of wickedness : which imagineth mischief as a law?

21 They gather them together

against the soul of the righteous : and condemn the innocent blood.

22 But the Lord is my refuge : and my God is the strength of my confidence.

23 He shall recompense them their wickedness, and destroy them in their own malice : yea, the Lord our God shall destroy them.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm xcv. *Venite, exultemus.*

O COME, let us sing unto the Lord : let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving : and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms.

3 For the Lord is a great God : and a great King above all gods.

4 In his hand are all the corners of the earth : and the strength of the hills is his also.

5 The sea is his, and he made it : and his hands prepared the dry land.

6 O come, let us worship and fall down : and kneel before the Lord our Maker;

7 For he is the Lord our God : and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

8 To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts : as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;

9 When your fathers tempted me : proved me, and saw my works.

10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said : It is a people that do err in their hearts; for they have not known my ways.

11 Unto whom I sware in my wrath : that they should not enter into my rest.

Ps. xcvi. *Cantate Domino.*

O SING unto the Lord a new song : sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.

2 Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name : be telling of his salvation from day to day.

3 Declare his honour unto the heathen : and his wonders unto all people.

4 For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised : he is more to be feared than all gods.

5 As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols : but it is the Lord that made the heavens.

6 Glory and worship are before him : power and honour are in his sanctuary.

7 Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people : ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.

8 Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name : bring presents, and come into his courts.

9 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness : let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

10 Tell it out among the heathen, that the Lord is King : and that it is he who hath made the round world so fast, that it cannot be moved; and how that he shall judge the people righteously.

11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad : let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.

12 Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it : then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.

13 For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth : and

with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

Ps. xcvii. *Dominus regnavit.*

THE Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof : yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.

2 Clouds and darkness are round about him : righteousness and judgement are the habitation of his seat.

3 There shall go a fire before him : and burn up his enemies on every side.

4 His lightnings gave shine unto the world : the earth saw it and was afraid.

5 The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord : at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

6 The heavens have declared his righteousness : and all the people have seen his glory.

7 Confounded be all they that worship carved images, and that delight in vain gods : worship him, all ye gods.

8 Sion heard of it, and rejoiced : and the daughters of Judah were glad, because of thy judgements, O Lord.

9 For thou, Lord, art higher than all that are in the earth : thou art exalted far above all gods.

10 O ye that love the Lord, see that ye hate the thing which is evil : the Lord preserveth the souls of his saints; he shall deliver them from the hand of the ungodly.

11 There is sprung up a light for the righteous : and joyful gladness for such as are true-hearted.

12 Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous : and give thanks for a remembrance of his holiness.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm xcviii. *Cantate Domino.*

O SING unto the Lord a new song : for he hath done marvellous things.

2 With his own right hand, and with his holy arm : hath he gotten himself the victory.

3 The Lord declared his salvation : his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

4 He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel : and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

5 Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands : sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

6 Praise the Lord upon the harp : sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

7 With trumpets also, and shawms : O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.

8 Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is : the round world, and they that dwell therein.

9 Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord : for he is come to judge the earth.

10 With righteousness shall he judge the world : and the people with equity.

Ps. xcix. *Dominus regnavit.*

THE Lord is King, be the people never so impatient : he sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.

2 The Lord is great in Sion : and high above all people.

3 They shall give thanks unto thy Name : which is great, wonderful, and holy.

4 The king's power loveth judgement; thou hast prepared

and mercy : long-suffering, and of great goodness.

9 He will not alway be chiding : neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins : nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

11 For look, how high the heaven is, in comparison of the earth : so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.

12 Look, how wide also the east is from the west : so far hath he set our sins from us.

13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children : even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.

14 For he knoweth whereof we are made : he remembereth that we are but dust.

15 The days of man are but as grass : for he flourisheth as a flower of the field.

16 For as soon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone : and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17 But the merciful goodness of the Lord endureth for ever and ever upon them that fear him : and his righteousness upon children's children ;

18 Even upon such as keep his covenant : and think upon his commandments to do them.

19 The Lord hath prepared his seat in heaven : and his kingdom ruleth over all.

20 O praise the Lord, ye angels of his ; ye that excel in strength : ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.

21 O praise the Lord, all ye his hosts : ye servants of his, that do his pleasure.

22 O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion : praise thou the Lord, O my soul.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm civ. *Benedic, anima mea.*

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul : O Lord my God, thou art become exceeding glorious, thou art clothed with majesty and honour.

2 Thou deckest thyself with light, as it were with a garment : and spreadest out the heavens like a curtain.

3 Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters : and maketh the clouds his chariot, and walketh upon the wings of the wind.

4 He maketh his angels spirits : and his ministers a flaming fire.

5 He laid the foundations of the earth : that it never should move at any time.

6 Thou coveredst it with the deep, like as with a garment : the waters stand in the hills.

7 At thy rebuke they flee : at the voice of thy thunder they are afraid.

8 They go up as high as the hills, and down to the valleys beneath : even unto the place which thou hast appointed for them.

9 Thou hast set them their bounds, which they shall not pass : neither turn again to cover the earth.

10 He sendeth his springs into the rivers : which run among the hills.

11 All beasts of the field drink thereof : and the wild asses quench their thirst.

12 Beside them shall the fowls of the air have their habitation : and sing among the branches.

13 He watereth the hills from above : the earth is filled with the fruit of thy works.

14 He bringeth forth grass

for the cattle : and green herb for the service of men;

15 That he may bring food out of the earth, and wine that maketh glad the heart of man : and oil to make him a cheerful countenance, and bread to strengthen man's heart.

16 The trees of the Lord also are full of sap : even the cedars of Libanus, which he hath planted;

17 Wherein the birds make their nests : and the fir-trees are a dwelling for the stork.

18 The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats : and so are the stony rocks for the conies.

19 He appointed the moon for certain seasons : and the sun knoweth his going down.

20 Thou makest darkness, that it may be night : wherein all the beasts of the forest do move.

21 The lions roaring after their prey : do seek their meat from God.

22 The sun ariseth, and they get them away together : and lay them down in their dens.

23 Man goeth forth to his work, and to his labour : until the evening.

24 O Lord, how manifold are thy works : in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches!

25 So is the great and wide sea also : wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.

26 There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan : whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.

27 These wait all upon thee : that thou mayest give them meat in due season.

28 When thou givest it them, they gather it : and when thou openest thy hand, they are filled with good.

29 When thou hidest thy face, they are troubled : when thou takest away their breath, they die, and are turned again to their dust.

30 When thou lettest thy breath go forth, they shall be made : and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

31 The glorious Majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever : the Lord shall rejoice in his works.

32 The earth shall tremble at the look of him : if he do but touch the hills, they shall smoke.

33 I will sing unto the Lord, as long as I live : I will praise my God, while I have my being.

34 And so shall my words please him : my joy shall be in the Lord.

35 As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, and the ungodly shall come to an end : praise thou the Lord, O my soul, praise the Lord.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm cv. ***Confitemini Domino.***

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name : tell the people what things he hath done.

2 O let your songs be of him, and praise him : and let your talking be of all his wondrous works.

3 Rejoice in his holy Name : let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.

4 Seek the Lord and his strength : seek his face evermore.

5 Remember the marvellous works that he hath done : his

his chosen, stood before him in the gap : to turn away his wrathful indignation, lest he should destroy them.

24 Yea, they thought scorn of that pleasant land : and gave no credence unto his word;

25 But murmured in their tents : and hearkened not unto the voice of the Lord.

26 Then lift he up his hand against them : to overthrow them in the wilderness;

27 To cast out their seed among the nations : and to scatter them in the lands.

28 They joined themselves unto Baal-peor : and ate the offerings of the dead.

29 Thus they provoked him to anger with their own inventions : and the plague was great among them.

30 Then stood up Phinees, and prayed : and so the plague ceased.

31 And that was counted unto him for righteousness : among all posterities for evermore.

32 They angered him also at the waters of strife : so that he punished Moses for their sakes.

33 Because they provoked his spirit : so that he spake unadvisedly with his lips.

34 Neither destroyed they the heathen : as the Lord commanded them;

35 But were mingled among the heathen : and learned their works.

36 Insomuch that they worshipped their idols, which turned to their own decay : yea, they offered their sons and their daughters unto devils;

37 And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters : whom they offered unto the idols of Canaan, and the land was defiled with blood.

38 Thus were they stained with their own works : and went a whoring with their own inventions.

39 Therefore was the wrath of the Lord kindled against his people : insomuch that he abhorred his own inheritance.

40 And he gave them over into the hand of the heathen : and they, that hated them, were lords over them.

41 Their enemies oppressed them : and had them in subjection.

42 Many a time did he deliver them : but they rebelled against him with their own inventions, and were brought down in their wickedness.

43 Nevertheless, when he saw their adversity : he heard their complaint.

44 He thought upon his covenant, and pitied them according unto the multitude of his mercies : yea, he made all those, that led them away captive, to pity them.

45 Deliver us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the heathen : that we may give thanks unto thy holy Name, and make our boast of thy praise.

46 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting, and world without end : and let all the people say, Amen.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm cvii. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord; for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.

2 Let them give thanks, whom the Lord hath redeemed : and

delivered from the hand of the enemy;

3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west : from the north, and from the south.

4 They went astray in the wilderness out of the way : and found no city to dwell in;

5 Hungry and thirsty : their soul fainted in them.

6 So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : and he delivered them from their distress.

7 He led them forth by the right way : that they might go to the city where they dwelt.

8 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

9 For he satisfieth the empty soul : and filleth the hungry soul with goodness;

10 Such as sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death : being fast bound in misery and iron.

11 Because they rebelled against the words of the Lord : and lightly regarded the counsel of the Most Highest;

12 He also brought down their heart through heaviness : they fell down, and there was none to help them.

13 So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivered them out of their distress.

14 For he brought them out of darkness, and out of the shadow of death : and brake their bonds in sunder.

15 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

16 For he hath broken the gates of brass : and smitten the bars of iron in sunder.

17 Foolish men are plagued for their offence : and because of their wickedness.

18 Their soul abhorred all manner of meat : and they were even hard at death's door.

19 So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivered them out of their distress.

20 He sent his word, and healed them : and they were saved from their destruction.

21 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

22 That they would offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and tell out his works with gladness!

23 They that go down to the sea in ships : and occupy their business in great waters;

24 These men see the works of the Lord : and his wonders in the deep.

25 For at his word the stormy wind ariseth : which lifteth up the waves thereof.

26 They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep : their soul melteth away because of the trouble.

27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man : and are at their wits' end.

28 So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble : he delivereth them out of their distress.

29 For he maketh the storm to cease : so that the waves thereof are still.

30 Then are they glad, because they are at rest : and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

31 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness :

and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

32 That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people: and praise him in the seat of the elders!

33 Who turneth the floods into a wilderness: and drieth up the water-springs.

34 A fruitful land maketh he barren: for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.

35 Again, he maketh the wilderness a standing water: and water-springs of a dry ground.

36 And there he setteth the hungry: that they may build them a city to dwell in;

37 That they may sow their land, and plant vineyards: to yield them fruits of increase.

38 He blesseth them so, that they multiply exceedingly: and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

39 And again, when they are minished and brought low: through oppression, through any plague or trouble;

40 Though he suffer them to be evil-intreated through tyrants: and let them wander out of the way in the wilderness;

41 Yet helpeth he the poor out of misery: and maketh him households like a flock of sheep.

42 The righteous will consider this, and rejoice: and the mouth of all wickedness shall be stopped.

43 Whoso is wise, will ponder these things: and they shall understand the loving-kindness of the Lord.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm cviii. *Paratum cor meum.*

O GOD, my heart is ready, my heart is ready: I will sing and give praise with the best member that I have.

2 Awake, thou lute and harp: I myself will awake right early.

3 I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.

4 For thy mercy is greater than the heavens: and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.

5 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth.

6 That thy beloved may be delivered: let thy right hand save them, and hear thou me.

7 God hath spoken in his holiness: I will rejoice therefore, and divide Sichem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

8 Gilead is mine, and Manasses is mine: Ephraim also is the strength of my head.

9 Judah is my lawgiver; Moab is my wash-pot: over Edom will I cast out my shoe; upon Philistia will I triumph.

10 Who will lead me into the strong city: and who will bring me into Edom?

11 Hast not thou forsaken us, O God: and wilt not thou, O God, go forth with our hosts?

12 O help us against the enemy: for vain is the help of man.

13 Through God we shall do great acts: and it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

Ps. cix. *Deus laudum.*

HOLD not thy tongue, O God of my praise: for the mouth of the ungodly, yea, the mouth of the deceitful is opened upon me.

2 And they have spoken against me with false tongues: they compassed me about also with words of hatred, and fought against me without a cause.

3 For the love that I had unto them, lo, they now take my contrary part : but I give myself unto prayer.

4 Thus have they rewarded me evil for good : and hatred for my good will.

5 Set thou an ungodly man to be ruler over him : and let Satan stand at his right hand.

6 When sentence is given upon him, let him be condemned : and let his prayer be turned into sin.

7 Let his days be few : and let another take his office.

8 Let his children be fatherless : and his wife a widow.

9 Let his children be vagabonds, and beg their bread : let them seek it also out of desolate places.

10 Let the extortioner consume all that he hath : and let the stranger spoil his labour.

11 Let there be no man to pity him : nor to have compassion upon his fatherless children.

12 Let his posterity be destroyed : and in the next generation let his name be clean put out.

13 Let the wickedness of his fathers be had in remembrance in the sight of the Lord : and let not the sin of his mother be done away.

14 Let them alway be before the Lord : that he may root out the memorial of them from off the earth;

15 And that, because his mind was not to do good : but persecuted the poor helpless man, that he might slay him that was vexed at the heart.

16 His delight was in cursing, and it shall happen unto him : he loved not blessing, therefore shall it be far from him.

17 He clothed himself with cursing, like as with a raiment : and it shall come into his bowels like water, and like oil into his bones.

18 Let it be unto him as the cloke that he hath upon him : and as the girdle that he is alway girded withal.

19 Let it thus happen from the Lord unto mine enemies : and to those that speak evil against my soul.

20 But deal thou with me, O Lord God, according unto thy Name : for sweet is thy mercy.

21 O deliver me; for I am helpless and poor : and my heart is wounded within me.

22 I go hence like the shadow that departeth : and am driven away as the grasshopper.

23 My knees are weak through fasting : my flesh is dried up for want of fatness.

24 I became also a reproach unto them : they, that looked upon me, shaked their heads.

25 Help me, O Lord my God : O save me according to thy mercy.

26 And they shall know, how that this is thy hand : and that thou, Lord, hast done it.

27 Though they curse, yet bless thou : and let them be confounded that rise up against me; but let thy servant rejoice.

28 Let mine adversaries be clothed with shame : and let them cover themselves with their own confusion, as with a cloke.

29 As for me, I will give great thanks unto the Lord with my mouth : and praise him among the multitude.

30 For he shall stand at the right hand of the poor : to save his soul from unrighteous judges.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm cx. *Dixit Dominus.*

THE LORD said unto my Lord : Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

2 The Lord shall send the rod of thy power out of Sion : be thou ruler, even in the midst among thine enemies.

3 In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free-will-offerings with an holy worship : the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning.

4 The Lord sware, and will not repent : Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech.

5 The Lord upon thy right hand : shall wound even kings in the day of his wrath.

6 He shall judge among the heathen, he shall fill the places with the dead bodies : and smite in sunder the heads over divers countries.

7 He shall drink of the brook in the way : therefore shall he lift up his head.

Ps. cxi. *Confitebor tibi.*

I WILL give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart : secretly among the faithful, and in the congregation.

2 The works of the Lord are great : sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

3 His work is worthy to be praised and had in honour : and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works : that they ought to be had in remembrance.

5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him : he shall ever be mindful of his covenant.

6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works : that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

7 The works of his hands are verity and judgement : all his commandments are true.

8 They stand fast for ever and ever : and are done in truth and equity.

9 He sent redemption unto his people : he hath commanded his covenant for ever : holy and reverend is his Name.

10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom : a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; the praise of it endureth for ever.

Ps. cxii. *Beatus vir.*

BLESSED is the man that feareth the Lord : he hath great delight in his commandments.

2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth : the generation of the faithful shall be blessed.

3 Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house : and his righteousness endureth for ever.

4 Unto the godly there ariseth up light in the darkness : he is merciful, loving, and righteous.

5 A good man is merciful, and lendeth : and will guide his words with discretion.

6 For he shall never be moved : and the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.

7 He will not be afraid of any evil tidings : for his heart standeth fast, and believeth in the Lord.

8 His heart is established, and will not shrink : until he see his desire upon his enemies.

9 He hath dispersed abroad, and given to the poor : and his righteousness remaineth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.

10 The ungodly shall see it, and it shall grieve him : he shall gnash with his teeth, and consume away; the desire of the ungodly shall perish.

Ps. cxiii. *Laudate, pueri.*

PRAISE the Lord, ye servants : O praise the Name of the Lord.

2 Blessed be the Name of the Lord : from this time forth for evermore.

3 The Lord's Name is praised : from the rising up of the sun, unto the going down of the same.

4 The Lord is high above all heathen : and his glory above the heavens.

5 Who is like unto the Lord our God, that hath his dwelling so high : and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth?

6 He taketh up the simple out of the dust : and lifteth the poor out of the mire;

7 That he may set him with the princes : even with the princes of his people.

8 He maketh the barren woman to keep house : and to be a joyful mother of children.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm cxiv. *In exitu Israel.*

WHEN Israel came out of Egypt : and the house of Jacob from among the strange people;

2 Judah was his sanctuary : and Israel his dominion.

3 The sea saw that, and fled : Jordan was driven back.

4 The mountains skipped like rams : and the little hills like young sheep.

5 What aileth thee, O thou sea, that thou fleddest : and thou Jordan, that thou wast driven back?

6 Ye mountains, that ye skipped like rams : and ye little hills, like young sheep?

7 Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord : at the presence of the God of Jacob;

8 Who turned the hard rock into a standing water : and the flint stone into a springing well.

Ps. cxv. *Non nobis, Domine.*

NOT unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name give the praise : for thy loving-mercy, and for thy truth's sake.

2 Wherefore shall the heathen say : Where is now their God?

3 As for our God, he is in heaven : he hath done whatsoever pleased him.

4 Their idols are silver and gold : even the work of men's hands.

5 They have mouths, and speak not : eyes have they, and see not.

6 They have ears, and hear not : noses have they, and smell not.

7 They have hands, and handle not; feet have they, and walk not : neither speak they through their throat.

8 They, that make them, are like unto them : and so are all such as put their trust in them.

9 But thou, house of Israel, trust thou in the Lord : he is their succour and defence.

10 Ye house of Aaron, put your trust in the Lord : he is their helper and defender.

11 Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord : he is their helper and defender.

12 The Lord hath been mindful of us, and he shall bless us : even he shall bless the house of Israel, he shall bless the house of Aaron.

13 He shall bless them that fear the Lord : both small and great.

14 The Lord shall increase you more and more : you and your children.

15 Ye are the blessed of the Lord : who made heaven and earth.

16 All the whole heavens are the Lord's : the earth hath he given to the children of men.

17 The dead praise not thee, O Lord : neither all they that go down into silence.

18 But we will praise the Lord : from this time forth for evermore. Praise the Lord.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm cxvi. *Dilexi, quoniam.*

I AM well pleased : that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;

2 That he hath inclined his ear unto me : therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.

3 The snares of death compassed me round about : and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

4 I shall find trouble and heaviness; and I will call upon the Name of the Lord : O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous : yea, our God is merciful.

6 The Lord preserveth the simple : I was in misery, and he helped me.

7 Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul : for the Lord hath rewarded thee.

8 And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death : mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

9 I will walk before the Lord : in the land of the living.

10 I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled : I said in my haste, All men are liars.

11 What reward shall I give unto the Lord : for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

12 I will receive the cup of salvation : and call upon the Name of the Lord.

13 I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people : right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

14 Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant : I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

15 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving : and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people : in the courts of the Lord's house, even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord.

Ps. cxvii. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the Lord, all ye heathen : praise him, all ye nations.

2 For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us : and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.

Ps. cxviii. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : because his mercy endureth for ever.

2 Let Israel now confess, that he is gracious : and that his mercy endureth for ever.

3 Let the house of Aaron now confess : that his mercy endureth for ever.

4 Yea, let them now, that fear the Lord, confess : that his mercy endureth for ever.

5 I called upon the Lord in trouble : and the Lord heard me at large.

6 The Lord is on my side : I will not fear what man doeth unto me.

7 The Lord taketh my part with them that help me : therefore shall I see my desire upon mine enemies.

8 It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in man.

9 It is better to trust in the Lord : than to put any confidence in princes.

10 All nations compassed me round about : but in the Name of the Lord will I destroy them.

11 They kept me in on every side; they kept me in, I say, on every side : but in the Name of the Lord will I destroy them.

12 They came about me like bees, and are extinct even as the fire among the thorns : for in the Name of the Lord I will destroy them.

13 Thou hast thrust scre at me, that I might fall : but the Lord was my help.

14 The Lord is my strength, and my song : and is become my salvation.

15 The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous : the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

16 The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence : the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.

17 I shall not die, but live : and declare the works of the Lord.

18 The Lord hath chastened and corrected me : but he hath not given me over unto death.

19 Open me the gates of righteousness : that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

20 This is the gate of the Lord : the righteous shall enter into it.

21 I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me : and art become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders refused : is become the head stone in the corner.

23 This is the Lord's doing : and it is marvellous in our eyes.

24 This is the day which the Lord hath made : we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Help me now, O Lord : O Lord, send us now prosperity.

26 Blessed be he that cometh in the Name of the Lord : we have wished you good luck, ye that are of the house of the Lord.

27 God is the Lord, who hath shewed us light : bind the sacrifice with cords, yea, even unto the horns of the altar.

28 Thou art my God, and I will thank thee : thou art my God, and I will praise thee.

29 O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm cxix. *Beati immaculati.*

BLESSED are those that are undefiled in the way : and walk in the law of the Lord.

2 Blessed are they that keep his testimonies : and seek him with their whole heart.

3 For they who do no wickedness : walk in his ways.

4 Thou hast charged : that we shall diligently keep thy commandments.

5 O that my ways were made so direct : that I might keep thy statutes!

6 So shall I not be confounded : while I have respect unto all thy commandments.

7 I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart : when I shall have learned the judgements of thy righteousness.

8 I will keep thy ceremonies : O forsake me not utterly!

In quo corriget?

WHEREWITHAL shall a young man cleanse his way : even by ruling himself after thy word.

2 With my whole heart have I sought thee : O let me not go wrong out of thy commandments.

3 Thy words have I hid within my heart : that I should not sin against thee.

4 Blessed art thou, O Lord : O teach me thy statutes.

5 With my lips have I been telling : of all the judgements of thy mouth.

6 I have had as great delight in the way of thy testimonies : as in all manner of riches.

7 I will talk of thy commandments : and have respect unto thy ways.

8 My delight shall be in thy statutes : and I will not forget thy word.

Retribue servo tuo.

O DO well unto thy servant : that I may live, and keep thy word.

2 Open thou mine eyes : that I may see the wondrous things of thy law.

3 I am a stranger upon earth : O hide not thy commandments from me.

4 My soul breaketh out for the very fervent desire : that it hath alway unto thy judgements.

5 Thou hast rebuked the proud : and cursed are they that do err from thy commandments.

6 O turn from me shame and rebuke : for I have kept thy testimonies.

7 Princes also did sit and speak against me : but thy servant is occupied in thy statutes.

8 For thy testimonies are my delight : and my counsellors.

Adhæsit pavimento.

MY soul cleaveth to the dust : O quicken thou me according to thy word.

2 I have acknowledged my ways, and thou heardest me : O teach me thy statutes.

3 Make me to understand the way of thy commandments : and so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.

4 My soul melteth away for very heaviness : comfort thou me according unto thy word.

5 Take from me the way of lying : and cause thou me to make much of thy law.

6 I have chosen the way of truth : and thy judgements have I laid before me.

7 I have stuck unto thy testimonies : O Lord, confound me not.

8 I will run the way of thy commandments : when thou hast set my heart at liberty.

MORNING PRAYER.

Legem pone.

TEACH me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes : and I shall keep it unto the end.

2 Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law : yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.

3 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments : for therein is my desire.

4 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies : and not to covetousness.

5 O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity : and quicken thou me in thy way.

6 O stablish thy word in thy servant : that I may fear thee.

7 Take away the rebuke that I am afraid of : for thy judgements are good.

8 Behold, my delight is in thy commandments : O quicken me in thy righteousness.

Et veniat super me.

LET thy loving-mercy come also unto me, O Lord : even thy salvation, according unto thy word.

2 So shall I make answer unto my blasphemers : for my trust is in thy word.

3 O take not the word of thy truth utterly out of my mouth : for my hope is in thy judgements.

4 So shall I alway keep thy law : yea, for ever and ever.

5 And I will walk at liberty : for I seek thy commandments.

6 I will speak of thy testimonies also, even before kings : and will not be ashamed.

7 And my delight shall be in thy commandments : which I have loved.

8 My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved : and my study shall be in thy statutes.

Memor esto servi tui.

O THINK upon thy servant, as concerning thy word : wherein thou hast caused me to put my trust.

2 The same is my comfort in my trouble : for thy word hath quickened me.

3 The proud have had me exceedingly in derision : yet have I not shrinked from thy law ;

4 For I remembered thine everlasting judgements, O Lord : and received comfort.

5 I am horribly afraid : for the ungodly that forsake thy law.

6 Thy statutes have been my songs : in the house of my pilgrimage.

7 I have thought upon thy Name, O Lord, in the night-season : and have kept thy law.

8 This I had : because I kept thy commandments.

Portio mea, Domine.

THOU art my portion, O Lord : I have promised to keep thy law.

2 I made my humble petition in thy presence with my whole heart : O be merciful unto me according to thy word.

3 I called mine own ways to remembrance : and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.

4 I made haste, and prolonged not the time : to keep thy commandments.

5 The congregations of the ungodly have robbed me : but I have not forgotten thy law.

6 At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee : because of thy righteous judgements.

7 I am a companion of all them that fear thee : and keep thy commandments.

8 The earth, O Lord, is full of thy mercy : O teach me thy statutes.

Bonitatem fecisti.

O LORD, thou hast dealt graciously with thy servant : according unto thy word.

2 O learn me true understanding and knowledge : for I have believed thy commandments.

3 Before I was troubled, I went wrong : but now have I kept thy word.

4 Thou art good and gracious : O teach me thy statutes.

5 The proud have imagined a lie against me : but I will keep thy commandments with my whole heart.

6 Their heart is as fat as brawn : but my delight hath been in thy law.

7 It is good for me that I have been in trouble : that I may learn thy statutes.

8 The law of thy mouth is dearer unto me : than thousands of gold and silver.

EVENING PRAYER.

Manus tuæ fecerunt me.

THY hands have made me, and fashioned me : O give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.

2 They that fear thee, will be glad when they see me : because I have put my trust in thy word.

3 I know, O Lord, that thy judgements are right : and that thou of very faithfulness hast caused me to be troubled.

4 O let thy merciful kindness be my comfort : according to thy word unto thy servant.

5 O let thy loving-mercies come unto me, that I may live : for thy law is my delight.

6 Let the proud be confounded, for they go wickedly about to destroy me : but I will be occupied in thy commandments.

7 Let such as fear thee, and have known thy testimonies : be turned unto me.

8 O let my heart be sound in thy statutes : that I be not ashamed.

Defecit anima mea.

MY soul hath longed for thy salvation : and I have a good hope, because of thy word.

2 Mine eyes long sore for thy word : saying, O when wilt thou comfort me?

3 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke : yet do I not forget thy statutes.

4 How many are the days of thy servant : when wilt thou be avenged of them that persecute me?

5 The proud have digged pits for me : which are not after thy law.

6 All thy commandments are true : they persecute me falsely; O be thou my help.

7 They had almost made an end of me upon earth : but I forsook not thy commandments.

8 O quicken me after thy loving-kindness : and so shall I keep the testimonies of thy mouth.

In æternum, Domine.

O LORD, thy word : endureth for ever in heaven.

2 Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another : thou hast laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.

3 They continue this day according to thine ordinance : for all things serve thee.

4 If my delight had not been in thy law : I should have perished in my trouble.

5 I will never forget thy commandments : for with them thou hast quickened me.

6 I am thine, O save me : for I have sought thy commandments.

7 The ungodly laid wait for me, to destroy me : but I will consider thy testimonies.

8 I see that all things come to an end : but thy commandment is exceeding broad.

Quomodo dilexi!

LORD, what love have I unto thy law : all the day long is my study in it!

2 Thou, through thy commandments, hast made me wiser than mine enemies : for they are ever with me.

3 I have more understanding than my teachers : for thy testimonies are my study.

4 I am wiser than the aged : because I keep thy commandments.

5 I have refrained my feet from every evil way : that I may keep thy word.

6 I have not shrunk from thy judgements : for thou teachest me.

7 O how sweet are thy words unto my throat : yea, sweeter than honey unto my mouth !

8 Through thy commandments I get understanding : therefore I hate all evil ways.

MORNING PRAYER.

Lucerna pedibus meis.

THY word is a lantern unto my feet : and a light unto my paths.

2 I have sworn, and am stedfastly purposed : to keep thy righteous judgements.

3 I am troubled above measure : quicken me, O Lord, according to thy word.

4 Let the free-will offerings of my mouth please thee, O Lord : and teach me thy judgements.

5 My soul is alway in my hand : yet do I not forget thy law.

6 The ungodly have laid a snare for me : but yet I swerved not from thy commandments.

7 Thy testimonies have I claimed as mine heritage for ever : and why? they are the very joy of my heart.

8 I have applied my heart to fulfil thy statutes alway : even unto the end.

Iniquos odio habui.

I HATE them, that imagine evil things : but thy law do I love.

2 Thou art my defence and shield : and my trust is in thy word.

3 Away from me, ye wicked : I will keep the commandments of my God.

4 O stablish me according to thy word, that I may live : and let me not be disappointed of my hope.

5 Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe : yea, my delight shall be ever in thy statutes.

6 Thou hast trodden down all them that depart from thy statutes : for they imagine but deceit.

7 Thou puttest away all the ungodly of the earth like dross : therefore I love thy testimonies.

8 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee : and I am afraid of thy judgements.

Feci judicium.

I DEAL with the thing that is lawful and right : O give me not over unto mine oppressors.

2 Make thou thy servant to delight in that which is good : that the proud do me no wrong.

3 Mine eyes are wasted away with looking for thy health : and for the word of thy righteousness.

4 O deal with thy servant according unto thy loving-mercy : and teach me thy statutes.

5 I am thy servant; O grant me understanding : that I may know thy testimonies.

6 It is time for thee, Lord, to lay to thine hand : for they have destroyed thy law.

7 For I love thy commandments : above gold and precious stone.

8 Therefore hold I straight all thy commandments: and all false ways I utterly abhor.

Mirabilia.

THY testimonies are wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them.

2 When thy word goeth forth: it giveth light and understanding unto the simple.

3 I opened my mouth, and drew in my breath: for my delight was in thy commandments.

4 O look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me: as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name.

5 Order my steps in thy word: and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.

6 O deliver me from the wrongful dealings of men: and so shall I keep thy commandments.

7 Shew the light of thy countenance upon thy servant: and teach me thy statutes.

8 Mine eyes gush out with water: because men keep not thy law.

Justus es, Domine.

RIGHTEOUS art thou, O Lord: and true is thy judgement!

2 The testimonies that thou hast commanded: are exceeding righteous and true.

3 My zeal hath even consumed me: because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.

4 Thy word is tried to the uttermost: and thy servant loveth it.

5 I am small, and of no reputation: yet do I not forget thy commandments.

6 Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness: and thy law is the truth.

7 Trouble and heaviness have taken hold upon me: yet is my delight in thy commandments.

8 The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting: O grant me understanding, and I shall live.

EVENING PRAYER.

Clamavi in toto corde meo.

I CALL with my whole heart: hear me, O Lord, I will keep thy statutes.

2 Yea, even unto thee do I call: help me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.

3 Early in the morning do I cry unto thee: for in thy word is my trust.

4 Mine eyes prevent the nightwatches: that I might be occupied in thy words.

5 Hear my voice, O Lord, according unto thy loving-kindness: quicken me according as thou art wont.

6 They draw nigh that of malice persecute me: and are far from thy law.

7 Be thou nigh at hand, O Lord: for all thy commandments are true.

8 As concerning thy testimonies, I have known long since: that thou hast grounded them for ever.

Vide humilitatem.

O CONSIDER mine adversity, and deliver me: for I do not forget thy law.

2 Avenge thou my cause, and deliver me: quicken me according to thy word.

3 Health is far from the ungodly: for they regard not thy statutes.

4 Great is thy mercy, O Lord: quicken me, as thou art wont.

5 Many there are that trouble me, and persecute me: yet do I not swerve from thy testimonies.

6 It grieveth me, when I see the transgressors : because they keep not thy law.

7 Consider, O Lord, how I love thy commandments : O quicken me according to thy loving-kindness.

8 Thy word is true from everlasting : all the judgements of thy righteousness endure for evermore.

Principes persecuti sunt.

PRINCES have persecuted me without a cause : but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.

2 I am as glad of thy word : as one that findeth great spoils.

3 As for lies, I hate and abhor them : but thy law do I love.

4 Seven times a day do I praise thee : because of thy righteous judgements.

5 Great is the peace that they have who love thy law : and they are not offended at it.

6 Lord, I have looked for thy saving health : and done after thy commandments.

7 My soul hath kept thy testimonies : and loved them exceedingly.

8 I have kept thy commandments and testimonies : for all my ways are before thee.

Appropinquet deprecatio.

LET my complaint come before thee, O Lord : give me understanding according to thy word.

2 Let my supplication come before thee : deliver me according to thy word.

3 My lips shall speak of thy praise : when thou hast taught me thy statutes.

4 Yea, my tongue shall sing of thy word : for all thy commandments are righteous.

5 Let thine hand help me : for I have chosen thy commandments.

6 I have longed for thy saving health, O Lord : and in thy law is my delight.

7 O let my soul live, and it shall praise thee : and thy judgements shall help me.

8 I have gone astray like a sheep that is lost : O seek thy servant; for I do not forget thy commandments.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm cxx. *Ad Dominum.*

WHEN I was in trouble, I called upon the Lord : and he heard me.

2 Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips : and from a deceitful tongue.

3 What reward shall be given or done unto thee, thou false tongue : even mighty and sharp arrows, with hot burning coals.

4 Woe is me, that I am constrained to dwell with Mesech : and to have my habitation among the tents of Kedar!

5 My soul hath long dwelt among them : that are enemies unto peace.

6 I labour for peace; but when I speak unto them thereof : they make them ready to battle.

Ps. cxxi. *Levavi oculos meos.*

I WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills : from whence cometh my help.

2 My help cometh even from the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved : and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel : shall neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The Lord himself is thy

keeper : the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;

6 So that the sun shall not burn thee by day : neither the moon by night.

7 The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil : yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

8 The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in : from this time forth for evermore.

Ps. cxxii. *Lætatus sum.*

I WAS glad when they said unto me : We will go into the house of the Lord.

2 Our feet shall stand in thy gates : O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem is built as a city : that is at unity in itself.

4 For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord : to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.

5 For there is the seat of judgement : even the seat of the house of David.

6 O pray for the peace of Jerusalem : they shall prosper that love thee.

7 Peace be within thy walls : and plenteousness within thy palaces.

8 For my brethren and companions' sakes : I will wish thee prosperity.

9 Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God : I will seek to do thee good.

Ps. cxxiii. *Ad te levavi.*

UNTO thee lift I up mine eyes : O thou that dwellest in the heavens.

2 Behold, even as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress : even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until he have mercy upon us.

3 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us : for we are utterly despised.

4 Our soul is filled with the scornful reproof of the wealthy : and with the despitefulness of the proud.

Ps. cxxiv. *Nisi quia Dominus.*

IF the Lord himself had not been on our side, now may Israel say : if the Lord himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us;

2 They had swallowed us up quick : when they were so wrathfully displeased at us.

3 Yea, the waters had drowned us : and the stream had gone over our soul.

4 The deep waters of the proud : had gone even over our soul.

5 But praised be the Lord : who hath not given us over for a prey unto their teeth.

6 Our soul is escaped even as a bird out of the snare of the fowler : the snare is broken, and we are delivered.

7 Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

Ps. cxxv. *Qui confidunt.*

THEY that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Sion : which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever.

2 The hills stand about Jerusalem : even so standeth the Lord round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.

3 For the rod of the ungodly cometh not into the lot of the righteous : lest the righteous put their hand unto wickedness.

4 Do well, O Lord : unto those that are good, and true of heart.

5 As for such as turn back

unto their own wickedness : the Lord shall lead them forth with the evil doers; but peace shall be upon Israel.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm cxxvi. *In convertendo.*

WHEN the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion: then were we like unto them that dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter : and our tongue with joy.

3 Then said they among the heathen : The Lord hath done great things for them.

4 Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already : whereof we rejoice.

5 Turn our captivity, O Lord : as the rivers in the south.

6 They that sow in tears : shall reap in joy.

7 He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed : shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

Ps. cxxvii. *Nisi Dominus.*

EXCEPT the Lord build the house : their labour is but lost that build it.

2 Except the Lord keep the city : the watchman waketh but in vain.

3 It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness : for so he giveth his beloved sleep.

4 Lo, children and the fruit of the womb : are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.

5 Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant : even so are the young children.

6 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them : they shall not be ashamed, when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

Ps. cxxviii. *Beati omnes.*

BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord : and walk in his ways.

2 For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands : O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

3 Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine : upon the walls of thine house;

4 Thy children like the olive-branches : round about thy table.

5 Lo, thus shall the man be blessed : that feareth the Lord.

6 The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee : that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long;

7 Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children : and peace upon Israel.

Ps. cxxix. *Sæpe expugnaverunt.*

MANY a time have they fought against me from my youth up : may Israel now say;

2 Yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up : but they have not prevailed against me.

3 The plowers plowed upon my back : and made long furrows.

4 But the righteous Lord : hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in pieces.

5 Let them be confounded and turned backward : as many as have evil will at Sion.

6 Let them be even as the grass growing upon the housetops : which withereth afore it be plucked up;

7 Whereof the mower filleth not his hand : neither he, that bindeth up the sheaves, his bosom.

8 So that they, who go by, say not so much as, The Lord prosper you : we wish you good luck in the Name of the Lord.

Ps. cxxx. *De profundis.*

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord : Lord, hear my voice.

2 O let thine ears consider well : the voice of my complaint.

3 If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss : O Lord, who may abide it?

4 For there is mercy with thee : therefore shalt thou be feared.

5 I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him : in his word is my trust.

6 My soul fleeth unto the Lord : before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

7 O Israel, trust in the Lord; for with the Lord there is mercy : and with him is plenteous redemption.

8 And he shall redeem Israel : from all his sins.

Ps. cxxxi. *Domine, non est.*

LORD, I am not high-minded : I have no proud looks.

2 I do not exercise myself in great matters : which are too high for me;

3 But I refrain my soul, and keep it low, like as a child that is weaned from his mother : yea, my soul is even as a weaned child.

4 O Israel, trust in the Lord : from this time forth for evermore.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm cxxxii. *Memento, Domine.*

LORD, remember David : and all his trouble;

2 How he sware unto the Lord : and vowed a vow unto the Almighty God of Jacob;

3 I will not come within the tabernacle of mine house : nor climb up into my bed;

4 I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep, nor mine eye-lids to slumber : neither the temples of my head to take any rest;

5 Until I find out a place for the temple of the Lord : an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.

6 Lo, we heard of the same at Ephrata : and found it in the wood.

7 We will go into his tabernacle : and fall low on our knees before his footstool.

8 Arise, O Lord, into thy resting-place : thou, and the ark of thy strength.

9 Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness : and let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

10 For thy servant David's sake : turn not away the presence of thine Anointed.

11 The Lord hath made a faithful oath unto David : and he shall not shrink from it;

12 Of the fruit of thy body : shall I set upon thy seat.

13 If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall learn them : their children also shall sit upon thy seat for evermore.

14 For the Lord hath chosen Sion to be an habitation for himself : he hath longed for her.

15 This shall be my rest for ever : here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein.

16 I will bless her victuals with increase : and will satisfy her poor with bread.

17 I will deck her priests with health : and her saints shall rejoice and sing.

18 There shall I make the horn of David to flourish : I have ordained a lantern for mine Anointed.

19 As for his enemies, I shall clothe them with shame : but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

Ps. cxxxiii. *Ecce quam bonum!*

BEHOLD, how good and joyful a thing it is : brethren, to dwell together in unity!

2 It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down unto the beard : even unto Aaron's beard, and went down to the skirts of his clothing.

3 Like as the dew of Hermon : which fell upon the hill of Sion.

4 For there the Lord promised his blessing : and life for evermore.

Ps. cxxxiv. *Ecce nunc.*

BEHOLD now, praise the Lord : all ye servants of the Lord;

2 Ye that by night stand in the house of the Lord : even in the courts of the house of our God.

3 Lift up your hands in the sanctuary : and praise the Lord.

4 The Lord, that made heaven and earth : give thee blessing out of Sion.

Ps. cxxxv. *Laudate nomen.*

O PRAISE the Lord, laud ye the Name of the Lord : praise it, O ye servants of the Lord;

2 Ye that stand in the house of the Lord : in the courts of the house of our God.

3 O praise the Lord; for the Lord is gracious : O sing praises unto his Name; for it is lovely.

4 For why? the Lord hath chosen Jacob unto himself : and Israel for his own possession.

5 For I know, that the Lord is great : and that our Lord is above all gods.

6 Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in heaven, and in earth : in the sea, and in all deep places.

7 He bringeth forth the clouds from the ends of the world : and sendeth forth lightnings with the rain, bringing the winds out of his treasures.

8 He smote the first-born of Egypt : both of man and beast.

9 He hath sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O thou land of Egypt : upon Pharaoh, and all his servants.

10 He smote divers nations : and slew mighty kings;

11 Sehon king of the Amorites, and Og the king of Basan : and all the kingdoms of Canaan;

12 And gave their land to be an heritage : even an heritage unto Israel his people.

13 Thy Name, O Lord, endureth for ever : so doth thy memorial, O Lord, from one generation to another.

14 For the Lord will avenge his people : and be gracious unto his servants.

15 As for the images of the heathen, they are but silver and gold : the work of men's hands.

16 They have mouths, and speak not : eyes have they, but they see not.

17 They have ears, and yet they hear not : neither is there any breath in their mouths.

18 They that make them are like unto them : and so are all they that put their trust in them.

19 Praise the Lord, ye house of Israel : praise the Lord, ye house of Aaron.

20 Praise the Lord. ye house of Levi : ye that fear the Lord, praise the Lord.

21 Praised be the Lord out of Sion : who dwelleth at Jerusalem.

EVENING PRAYER.

Ps. cxxxvi. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : and his mercy endureth for ever.

2 O give thanks unto the God of all gods : for his mercy endureth for ever.

3 O thank the Lord of all lords : for his mercy endureth for ever.

4 Who only doeth great wonders : for his mercy endureth for ever.

5 Who by his excellent wisdom made the heavens : for his mercy endureth for ever.

6 Who laid out the earth above the waters : for his mercy endureth for ever.

7 Who hath made great lights : for his mercy endureth for ever;

8 The sun to rule the day : for his mercy endureth for ever;

9 The moon and the stars to govern the night : for his mercy endureth for ever.

10 Who smote Egypt with their first-born : for his mercy endureth for ever;

11 And brought out Israel from among them : for his mercy endureth for ever;

12 With a mighty hand and stretched-out arm : for his mercy endureth for ever.

13 Who divided the Red Sea in two parts : for his mercy endureth for ever;

14 And made Israel to go through the midst of it : for his mercy endureth for ever.

15 But as for Pharaoh and his host, he overthrew them in the Red Sea : for his mercy endureth for ever.

16 Who led his people through the wilderness : for his mercy endureth for ever.

17 Who smote great kings : for his mercy endureth for ever;

18 Yea, and slew mighty kings : for his mercy endureth for ever;

19 Sehon king of the Amorites : for his mercy endureth for ever;

20 And Og the king of Basan : for his mercy endureth for ever;

21 And gave away their land for an heritage : for his mercy endureth for ever;

22 Even for an heritage unto Israel his servant : for his mercy endureth for ever.

23 Who remembered us when we were in trouble : for his mercy endureth for ever;

24 And hath delivered us from our enemies : for his mercy endureth for ever.

25 Who giveth food to all flesh : for his mercy endureth for ever.

26 O give thanks unto the God of heaven : for his mercy endureth for ever.

27 O give thanks unto the Lord of lords : for his mercy endureth for ever.

Ps. cxxxvii. *Super flumina.*

BY the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept : when we remembered thee, O Sion.

2 As for our harps, we hanged them up : upon the trees that are therein.

3 For they that led us away captive required of us then a song, and melody in our heaviness : Sing us one of the songs of Sion.

4 How shall we sing the Lord's song : in a strange land?

5 If I forget thee, O Jerusalem : let my right hand forget her cunning.

6 If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof

of my mouth : yea, if I prefer not Jerusalem in my mirth.

7 Remember the children of Edom, O Lord, in the day of Jerusalem : how they said, Down with it, down with it, even to the ground.

8 O daughter of Babylon, wasted with misery : yea, happy shall he be that rewardeth thee, as thou hast served us.

9 Blessed shall he be that taketh thy children : and throweth them against the stones.

Ps. cxxxviii. *Confitebor tibi.*

I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart : even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth : for thou hast magnified thy Name, and thy word above all things.

3 When I called upon thee, thou heardest me : and enduedst my soul with much strength.

4 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord : for they have heard the words of thy mouth.

5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord : that great is the glory of the Lord.

6 For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly : as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.

7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me : thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

8 The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me : yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm cxxxix. *Domine, probasti.*

O LORD, thou hast searched me out, and known me : thou knowest my down-sitting, and mine up-rising; thou understandest my thoughts long before.

2 Thou art about my path, and about my bed : and spiest out all my ways.

3 For lo, there is not a word in my tongue : but thou, O Lord, knowest it altogether.

4 Thou hast fashioned me behind and before : and laid thine hand upon me.

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me : I cannot attain unto it.

6 Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit : or whither shall I go then from thy presence?

7 If I climb up into heaven, thou art there : if I go down to hell, thou art there also.

8 If I take the wings of the morning : and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;

9 Even there also shall thy hand lead me : and thy right hand shall hold me.

10 If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me : then shall my night be turned to day.

11 Yea, the darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day : the darkness and light to thee are both alike.

12 For my reins are thine : thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.

13 I will give thanks unto thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made : marvellous are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well.

14 My bones are not hid from thee : though I be made secretly, and fashioned beneath in the earth.

15 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect : and in thy book were all my members written;

16 Which day by day were fashioned : when as yet there was none of them.

17 How dear are thy counsels unto me, O God : O how great is the sum of them!

18 If I tell them, they are more in number than the sand : when I wake up, I am present with thee.

19 Wilt thou not slay the wicked, O God : depart from me, ye blood-thirsty men.

20 For they speak unrighteously against thee : and thine enemies take thy Name in vain.

21 Do not I hate them, O Lord, that hate thee : and am not I grieved with those, that rise up against thee?

22 Yea, I hate them right sore : even as though they were mine enemies.

23 Try me, O God, and seek the ground of my heart : prove me, and examine my thoughts.

24 Look well if there be any way of wickedness in me : and lead me in the way everlasting.

Ps. cxl. *Eripe me, Domine.*

DELIVER me, O Lord, from the evil man : and preserve me from the wicked man;

2 Who imagine mischief in their hearts : and stir up strife all the day long.

3 They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent : adders' poison is under their lips.

4 Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the ungodly : preserve me from the wicked men, who are purposed to overthrow my goings.

5 The proud have laid a snare for me, and spread a net abroad with cords : yea, and set traps in my way.

6 I said unto the Lord, Thou art my God : hear the voice of my prayers, O Lord.

7 O Lord God, thou strength of my health : thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.

8 Let not the ungodly have his desire, O Lord : let not his mischievous imagination prosper, lest they be too proud.

9 Let the mischief of their own lips fall upon the head of them : that compass me about.

10 Let hot burning coals fall upon them : let them be cast into the fire, and into the pit, that they never rise up again.

11 A man full of words shall not prosper upon the earth : evil shall hunt the wicked person to overthrow him.

12 Sure I am, that the Lord will avenge the poor : and maintain the cause of the helpless.

13 The righteous also shall give thanks unto thy Name : and the just shall continue in thy sight.

Ps. cxli. *Domine, clamav.*

LORD, I call upon thee, haste thee unto me : and consider my voice, when I cry unto thee.

2 Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as the incense : and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

3 Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth : and keep the door of my lips.

4 O let not mine heart be inclined to any evil thing : let me not be occupied in ungodly works with the men that work

wickedness, lest I eat of such things as please them.

5 Let the righteous rather smite me friendly : and reprove me.

6 But let not their precious balms break my head : yea, I will pray yet against their wickedness.

7 Let their judges be overthrown in stony places : that they may hear my words, for they are sweet.

8 Our bones lie scattered before the pit : like as when one breaketh and heweth wood upon the earth.

9 But mine eyes look unto thee, O Lord God : in thee is my trust, O cast not out my soul.

10 Keep me from the snare that they have laid for me : and from the traps of the wicked doers.

11 Let the ungodly fall into their own nets together : and let me ever escape them.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm cxli. *Voce mea ad Dominum.*

I CRIED unto the Lord with my voice : yea, even unto the Lord did I make my supplication.

2 I poured out my complaints before him : and shewed him of my trouble.

3 When my spirit was in heaviness, thou knewest my path : in the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.

4 I looked also upon my right hand : and saw there was no man that would know me.

5 I had no place to flee unto : and no man cared for my soul.

6 I cried unto thee, O Lord, and said : Thou art my hope, and my portion in the land of the living.

7 Consider my complaint : for I am brought very low.

8 O deliver me from my persecutors : for they are too strong for me.

9 Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks unto thy Name : which thing if thou wilt grant me, then shall the righteous resort unto my company.

Ps. cxliii. *Domine, exaudi.*

HEAR my prayer, O Lord, and consider my desire : hearken unto me for thy truth and righteousness' sake.

2 And enter not into judgement with thy servant : for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground : he hath laid me in the darkness, as the men that have been long dead.

4 Therefore is my spirit vexed within me : and my heart within me is desolate.

5 Yet do I remember the time past; I muse upon all thy works : yea, I exercise myself in the works of thy hands.

6 I stretch forth my hands unto thee : my soul gaspeth unto thee as a thirsty land.

7 Hear me, O Lord, and that soon; for my spirit waxeth faint : hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them, that go down into the pit.

8 O let me hear thy loving-kindness betimes in the morning; for in thee is my trust : shew thou me the way that I should walk in; for I lift up my soul unto thee.

9 Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies : for I flee unto thee to hide me.

10 Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee; for thou art my God : let thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness.

11 Quicken me, O Lord, for thy Name's sake : and for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble;

12 And of thy goodness slay mine enemies : and destroy all them that vex my soul, for I am thy servant.

MORNING PRAYER.

Psalm cxliv. *Benedictus Dominus.*

BLESSED be the Lord my strength: who teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight.

2 My hope and my fortress, my castle and deliverer, my defender, in whom I trust : who subdueth my people that is under me.

3 Lord, what is man, that thou hast such respect unto him : or the son of man, that thou so regardest him!

4 Man is like a thing of nought: his time passeth away like a shadow.

5 Bow thy heavens, O Lord, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.

6 Cast forth thy lightning, and tear them: shoot out thine arrows, and consume them.

7 Send down thine hand from above : deliver me, and take me out of the great waters, from the hand of strange children;

8 Whose mouth talketh of vanity : and their right hand is a right hand of wickedness.

9 I will sing a new song unto thee, O God : and sing praises unto thee upon a ten-stringed lute.

10 Thou hast given victory unto kings : and hast delivered David thy servant from the peril of the sword.

11 Save me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children : whose mouth talketh of vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of iniquity.

12 That our sons may grow up as the young plants : and that our daughters may be as the polished corners of the temple.

13 That our garners may be full, and plenteous with all manner of store : that our sheep may bring forth thousands, and ten thousands in our streets.

14 That our oxen may be strong to labour, that there be no decay : no leading into captivity, and no complaining in our streets.

15 Happy are the people that are in such a case : yea, blessed are the people who have the Lord for their God.

Ps. cxlv. *Exaltabo te, Deus.*

I WILL magnify thee, O God, my King : and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.

2 Every day will I give thanks unto thee : and praise thy Name for ever and ever.

3 Great is the Lord, and marvellous, worthy to be praised : there is no end of his greatness.

4 One generation shall praise thy works unto another : and declare thy power.

5 As for me, I will be talking of thy worship : thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;

6 So that men shall speak of the might of thy marvellous acts : and I will also tell of thy greatness.

7 The memorial of thine abundant kindness shall be shewed : and men shall sing of thy righteousness.

8 The Lord is gracious, and merciful : long-suffering, and of great goodness.

9 The Lord is loving unto every man : and his mercy is over all his works.

10 All thy works praise thee, O Lord : and thy saints give thanks unto thee.

11 They shew the glory of thy kingdom : and talk of thy power;

12 That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom : might be known unto men.

13 Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom : and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.

14 The Lord upholdeth all such as fall : and lifteth up all those that are down.

15 The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord : and thou givest them their meat in due season.

16 Thou openest thine hand : and fillest all things living with plenteousness.

17 The Lord is righteous in all his ways : and holy in all his works.

18 The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him : yea, all such as call upon him faithfully.

19 He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him : he also will hear their cry, and will help them.

20 The Lord preserveth all them that love him : but scatter-eth abroad all the ungodly.

21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord : and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and ever.

Ps. cxlvi. *Lauda, anima mea.*

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; while I live, will I praise the Lord : yea, as long as I have any being, I will sing praises unto my God.

2 O put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man : for there is no help in them.

3 For when the breath of man goeth forth, he shall turn again to his earth : and then all his thoughts perish.

4 Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help : and whose hope is in the Lord his God;

5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that therein is : who keepeth his promise for ever;

6 Who helpeth them to right that suffer wrong : who feedeth the hungry.

7 The Lord looseth men out of prison : the Lord giveth sight the blind.

8 The Lord helpeth them that are fallen : the Lord careth for the righteous.

9 The Lord careth for the strangers; he defendeth the fatherless and widow : as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.

10 The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore : and throughout all generations.

EVENING PRAYER.

Psalm cxlvii. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the Lord; for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God : yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.

2 The Lord doth build up Jerusalem : and gather together the outcasts of Israel.

3 He healeth those that are broken in heart : and giveth medicine to heal their sickness.

4 He telleth the number of the stars : and calleth them all by their names.

5 Great is our Lord, and great

is his power: yea, and his wisdom is infinite.

6 The Lord setteth up the meek: and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground.

7 O sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving: sing praises upon the harp unto our God;

8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds, and prepareth rain for the earth: and maketh the grass to grow upon the mountains, and herb for the use of men.

9 Who giveth fodder unto the cattle: and feedeth the young ravens that call upon him.

10 He hath no pleasure in the strength of an horse: neither delighteth he in any man's legs.

11 But the Lord's delight is in them that fear him: and put their trust in his mercy.

12 Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem: praise thy God, O Sion.

13 For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates: and hath blessed thy children within thee.

14 He maketh peace in thy borders: and filleth thee with the flour of wheat.

15 He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth: and his word runneth very swiftly.

16 He giveth snow like wool: and scattereth the hoar-frost like ashes.

17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who is able to abide his frost?

18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he bloweth with his wind, and the waters flow.

19 He sheweth his word unto Jacob: his statutes and ordinances unto Israel.

20 He hath not dealt so with any nation: neither have the heathen knowledge of his laws.

Ps. cxlviii. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the Lord of heaven: praise him in the height.

2 Praise him, all ye angels of his: praise him, all his host.

3 Praise him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars and light.

4 Praise him, all ye heavens: and ye waters that are above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord: for he spake the word, and they were made; he commanded, and they were created.

6 He hath made them fast for ever and ever: he hath given them a law, which shall not be broken.

7 Praise the Lord upon earth: ye dragons, and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and vapours: wind and storm fulfilling his word;

9 Mountains and all hills: fruitful trees and all cedars;

10 Beasts and all cattle: worms and feathered fowls;

11 Kings of the earth and all people: princes and all judges of the world;

12 Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the Name of the Lord: for his Name only is excellent, and his praise above heaven and earth.

13 He shall exalt the horn of his people; all his saints shall praise him: even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.

Ps. cxlix. *Cantate Domino.*

O SING unto the Lord a new song: let the congregation of saints praise him.

2 Let Israel rejoice in him

that made him : and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King.

3 Let them praise his Name in the dance : let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp.

4 For the Lord hath pleasure in his people : and helpeth the meek-hearted.

5 Let the saints be joyful with glory : let them rejoice in their beds.

6 Let the praises of God be in their mouth : and a two-edged sword in their hands;

7 To be avenged of the heathen : and to rebuke the people;

8 To bind their kings in chains : and their nobles with links of iron.

9 That they may be avenged of them, as it is written : Such honour have all his saints.

Ps. cl. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE God in his holiness : praise him in the firmament of his power.

2 Praise him in his noble acts : praise him according to his excellent greatness.

3 Praise him in the sound of the trumpet : praise him upon the lute and harp.

4 Praise him in the cymbals and dances : praise him upon the strings and pipe.

5 Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals : praise him upon the loud cymbals.

6 Let every thing that hath breath : praise the Lord.

PRAYERS TO BE USED AT SEA.

The Morning and Evening Service, to be used daily at Sea, shall be the same which is appointed in the Book of Common Prayer.

These two following Prayers are to be also used in his Majesty's Navy every Day.

O ETERNAL Lord God, who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rulest the raging of the sea; who hast compassed the waters with bounds, until day and night come to an end; Be pleased to receive into thy Almighty and most gracious protection the Persons of us thy servants, and the Fleet in which we serve. Preserve us from the dangers of the sea, and from the violence of the enemy; that we may be a safeguard unto our most gracious Sovereign Lord King GEORGE, and his dominions, and a security for such as pass on the seas upon their lawful occasions; that the inhabitants of our Island may in peace and quietness serve thee our God; and that we may return in safety to enjoy the blessings of the land, with the fruits of our labours; and with a thankful remembrance of thy mercies to praise and glorify thy holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Collect.

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings, with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayers to be used in Storms at Sea.

O MOST powerful and glorious Lord God, at whose command the winds blow, and lift up the waves of the sea, and who stillest the rage thereof; We thy creatures, but miserable sinners, do in this our great distress cry unto thee for help: Save, Lord, or else we perish. We confess, when we have been safe, and seen all things quiet about us, we have forgot thee our God, and refused to hearken to the still voice of thy Word, and to obey thy commandments: But now we see how terrible thou art in all thy works of wonder; the great God to be feared above all: And therefore we adore thy Divine Majesty, acknowledging thy power, and imploring thy goodness. Help, Lord, and save us for thy mercies' sake in Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this:

O MOST glorious and gracious Lord God, who dwellest in heaven, but beholdest all things below; Look down, we beseech thee, and hear us, calling out of the depth of misery, and out of the jaws of this death, which is ready now to swallow us up: Save, Lord, or else we perish. The living, the living shall praise thee O send thy word of command to rebuke the raging winds, and the roaring sea; that we, being delivered from this distress, may live to serve thee, and to glorify thy Name all the days of our life. Hear, Lord, and save us, for the infinite merits of our blessed Saviour, thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Prayer to be said before a Fight at Sea against an Enemy.

O MOST powerful and glorious Lord God, the Lord of hosts, that rulest and commandest all things; Thou sittest in the throne judging right; and therefore we

make our address to thy Divine Majesty in this our necessity; that thou wouldest take the cause into thine own hand, and judge between us and our enemies. Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come and help us; for thou givest not alway the battle to the strong, but canst save by many or by few. O let not our sins now cry against us for vengeance; but hear us thy poor servants begging mercy, and imploring thy help, and that thou wouldest be a defence unto us against the face of the enemy: Make it appear, that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Short Prayers for single Persons, that cannot meet to join in Prayer with others, by reason of the Fight or Storm.

General Prayers.

LORD, be merciful to us sinners, and save us for thy mercies' sake.

Thou art the great God, that hast made and rulest all things: O deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Thou art the great God to be feared above all: O save us, that we may praise thee.

Special Prayers with respect to the Enemy.

THOU, O Lord, art just and powerful: O defend our cause against the face of the enemy.

O God, thou art a strong tower of defence to all that flee unto thee: O save us from the violence of the enemy.

O Lord of hosts, fight for us; that we may glorify thee.

O suffer us not to sink under the weight of our sins, or the violence of the enemy.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Short Prayers in respect of a Storm.

THOU, O Lord, that stillest the raging of the sea; hear, hear us, and save us, that we perish not.

O blessed Saviour, that didst save thy disciples, ready to perish in a storm; hear us, and save us, we beseech thee.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, hear us.
O Christ, hear us.

God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, have mercy upon us, save us now and evermore. *Amen.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

When there shall be imminent danger, as many as can be spared from necessary service in the Ship, shall be called together, and make an humble Confession of their Sins to God: In which every one ought seriously to reflect upon those particular Sins, of which his conscience shall accuse him; saying as followeth:

The Confession.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievouslyhave committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And be heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us, The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us,

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then shall the Priest, if there be any in the Ship, pronounce this Absolution.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them which with hearty repentance, and true faith, turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVING

AFTER A STORM.

Psalm lxvi. *Jubilate Deo.*

O BE joyful in God, all ye lands: sing praises unto the honour of his Name, make his praise to be glorious, &c.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

Psalm cvii. *Confitemini Domino.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever, &c.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

Collects of Thanksgiving.

O MOST blessed and glorious Lord God, who art of infinite goodness and mercy; We thy poor creatures, whom thou hast made and preserved, holding our souls in life, and now rescuing us out of the jaws of death, humbly present ourselves again before thy Divine Majesty, to offer a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, for that thou heardest us, when we called in our trouble, and didst not cast out our prayer, which we made before thee in our great distress: Even when we gave all for lost, our ship, our goods, our lives, then didst thou mercifully look upon us, and wonderfully command a deliverance; for which we, now being in safety, do give all praise and glory to thy holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Or this:

O MOST mighty and gracious good God, thy mercy is over all thy works, but in special manner hath been extended toward us, whom thou hast so powerfully and wonderfully defended. Thou hast shewed us terrible things, and wonders in the deep; that we might see, how powerful and gracious a God thou art; how able and ready to help them, that trust in thee. Thou hast shewed us, how both winds and seas obey thy command; that we may learn even from them hereafter to obey thy voice, and to do thy will. We therefore bless and glorify thy Name for this thy mercy, in saving us, when we were ready to perish. And we beseech thee, make us as truly sensible now of thy mercy, as we were then of the danger; and give us hearts always ready to express our thankfulness, not only by words, but also by our lives, in being more obedient to thy holy Commandments. Continue, we beseech thee, this thy goodness to us; that we, whom thou hast saved, may serve thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

An Hymn of Praise and Thanksgiving after a dangerous Tempest.

O COME, let us give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever.

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; let the redeemed of the Lord say so: whom he hath delivered from the merciless rage of the sea.

The Lord is gracious, and full of compassion: slow to anger, and of great mercy.

He hath not dealt with us according to our sins: neither rewarded us according to our iniquities.

But as the heaven is high above the earth: so great hath been his mercy toward us.

We found trouble and heaviness: we were even at death's door.

The waters of the sea had well-nigh covered us: the proud waters had well-nigh gone over our soul.

The sea roared: and the stormy wind lifted up the waves thereof.

We were carried up as it were to heaven, and then down again into the deep: our soul melted within us, because of trouble.

Then cried we unto thee, O Lord: and thou didst deliver us out of our distress.

Blessed be thy Name, who didst not despise the prayer of thy servants: but didst hear our cry, and hast saved us.

Thou didst send forth thy commandment: and the windy storm ceased, and was turned into a calm.

O let us therefore praise the Lord for his goodness: and declare the wonders that he hath done, and still doeth for the children of men!

Praised be the Lord daily: even the Lord that helpeth us, and poureth his benefits upon us.

He is our God, even the God, of whom cometh salvation: God is the Lord, by whom we have escaped death.

Thou, Lord, hast made us glad through the operation of thy hands: and we will triumph in thy praise.

Blessed be the Lord God: even the Lord God, who only doeth wondrous things;

And blessed be the Name of his Majesty for ever: and let every one of us say, Amen, Amen.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

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THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

AFTER

VICTORY OR DELIVERANCE FROM AN ENEMY.

A Psalm or Hymn of Praise and Thanksgiving after Victory.

IF the Lord had not been on our side, now may we say: If the Lord himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us;

They had swallowed us up quick: when they were so wrathfully displeased at us.

Yea, the waters had drowned us, and the stream had gone over our soul: the deep waters of the proud had gone over our soul.

But praised be the Lord: who hath not given us over as a prey unto them.

The Lord hath wrought: a mighty salvation for us.

We gat not this by our own sword, neither was it our own arm that saved us: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour unto us.

The Lord hath appeared for us: the Lord hath covered our heads, and made us to stand in the day of battle.

The Lord hath appeared for us: the Lord hath overthrown our enemies, and dashed in pieces those that rose up against us.

Therefore not unto us, O Lord, not unto us: but unto thy Name be given the glory.

The Lord hath done great things for us: the Lord hath done great things for us, for which we rejoice.

Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord: who hath made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord: from this time forth for evermore.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

After this Hymn may be sung the Te Deum.

Then this Collect.

O ALMIGHTY God, the Sovereign Commander of all the world, in whose hand is power and might, which none is able to withstand; We bless and magnify thy great and glorious Name for this happy Victory, the whole glory whereof we do ascribe to thee, who art the only giver of Victory. And, we beseech thee, give us grace to improve this great mercy to thy glory, the advancement of thy Gospel, the honour of our Sovereign, and, as much as in us lieth, to the good of all mankind. And, we beseech thee, give us such a sense of this great mercy, as may engage us to a true thankfulness, such as may appear in our lives, by an humble, holy, and obedient walking before thee all our days, through Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit, as for all thy mercies, so in particular for this Victory and Deliverance, be all glory and honour, world without end. *Amen.*

2 Cor. xiii. 14.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

AT THE BURIAL OF THEIR DEAD AT SEA.

The Office in the Common Prayer-Book may be used; only instead of these words [We therefore commit his Body to the ground; earth to earth, &c.] *say,*

WE therefore commit his Body to the Deep, to be turned into corruption, looking for the resurrection of the body (when the Sea shall give up her dead) and the life of the world to come, through our Lord Jesus Christ; who at his coming shall change our vile body, that it may be like his glorious body, according to the mighty working, whereby he is able to subdue all things to himself.

GUNPOWDER TREASON.

A Form of Prayer with Thanksgiving, to be used Yearly upon the *Fifth Day of November;* for the happy Deliverance of King JAMES I. and the Three Estates of *England*, from the most traiterous and bloody intended Massacre by Gunpowder: and also for the happy Arrival of his Majesty King WILLIAM on this Day, for the Deliverance of our Church and Nation.

The Minister of every Parish shall give warning to his Parishioners publickly in the Church, at Morning Prayer the Sunday before, for the due observation of the said Day. And after Morning Prayer, or Preaching, upon the said Fifth Day of November, *shall read publickly, distinctly, and plainly, the* Act of Parliament, *made in the third Year of King* James *the First, for the observation of it.*

The Service shall be the same with the usual Office for Holy-Days in all things; except where it is hereafter otherwise appointed.
If this Day shall happen to be Sunday, only the Collect proper for that Sunday shall be added to this Office in its place.

Morning Prayer shall begin with these Sentences.

THE Lord is full of compassion and mercy: long-suffering, and of great goodness. *Psalm* ciii. 8.

He will not alway be chiding: neither keepeth he his anger for ever. *ver.* 9.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins: nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses. *ver.* 10.

Instead of Venite exultemus, *shall this Hymn following be used; one Verse by the Priest, and another by the Clerk and People.*

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever. *Psalm* cvii. 1.

Let them give thanks, whom the Lord hath redeemed: and delivered from the hand of the enemy. ver. 2.

Many a time have they fought against me from my youth up: may Israel now say. *Psalm* cxxix. 1.

Yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up: but they have not prevailed against me. ver. 2.

They have privily laid their net to destroy me without a cause: yea, even without a cause have they made a pit for my soul. *Psalm* xxxv. 7.

They have laid a net for my feet, and pressed down my soul: they have digged a pit before me, and are fallen into the midst of it themselves. Psalm lvii. 7.

Great is our Lord, and great is his power: yea, and his wisdom is infinite. *Psalm* cxlvii. 5.

The Lord setteth up the meek: and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground. ver. 6.

Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand: and upon the Son of man, whom thou madest so strong for thine own self. *Psalm* lxxx. 17.

And so will not we go back from thee: O let us live, and we shall call upon thy Name. ver. 18.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

Proper Psalms. lxiv, cxxiv, cxxv.

Proper Lessons.
The First. 2 Sam. xxii.
Te Deum.
The Second. Acts xxiii.
Jubilate Deo.

In the Suffrages after the Creed, these shall be inserted and used for the King.

Priest. O Lord, save the King;
People. Who putteth his trust in thee.
Priest. Send him help from thy holy place;
People. And evermore mightily defend him.
Priest. Let his enemies have no advantage against him;
People. Let not the wicked approach to hurt him.

Instead of the first Collect at Morning Prayer, shall these two be used.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast in all ages shewed thy power and mercy in the miraculous and gracious deliverances of thy Church, and in the protection of righteous and religious Kings and States, professing thy holy and eternal Truth, from the wicked conspiracies, and malicious practices of all the enemies thereof; We yield thee our unfeigned thanks and praise, for the wonderful and mighty deliverance of our Sovereign King JAMES the First, the Queen, the Prince, and all the Royal Branches, with the Nobility, Clergy, and Commons of *England*, then assembled in Parliament, by Popish treachery appointed as sheep to the slaughter, in a most barbarous and savage manner, beyond the examples of former ages. From this

unnatural Conspiracy, not our merit, but thy mercy, not our foresight, but thy Providence, delivered us: And therefore not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name be ascribed all honour and glory in all churches of the Saints, from generation to generation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ACCEPT also, most gracious God, of our unfeigned thanks, for filling our hearts again with joy and gladness, after the time that thou hadst afflicted us, and putting a new song into our mouths, by bringing his Majesty King WILLIAM, upon this Day, for the deliverance of our Church and Nation from Popish tyranny and arbitrary power. We adore the wisdom and justice of thy Providence, which so timely interposed in our extreme danger, and disappointed all the designs of our enemies. We beseech thee, give us such a lively and lasting sense of what thou didst then, and hast since that time done for us, that we may not grow secure and careless in our obedience, by presuming upon thy great and undeserved goodness; but that it may lead us to repentance, and move us to be the more diligent and zealous in all the duties of our Religion, which thou hast in a marvellous manner preserved to us. Let truth and justice, brotherly kindness and charity, devotion and piety, concord and unity, with all other virtues, so flourish among us, that they may be the stability of our times, and make this Church a praise in the earth. All which we humbly beg for the sake of our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

In the end of the Litany (which shall always this Day be used) after the Collect [We humbly beseech thee, O Father, &c.] *shall this be said which followeth.*

ALMIGHTY God, and heavenly Father, who of thy gracious Providence, and tender mercy towards us, didst prevent the malice and imaginations of our enemies, by discovering and confounding their horrible and wicked enterprise, plotted and intended this Day to have been executed against the King, and the whole State of *England*, for the subversion of the Government and Religion established among us; and didst likewise upon this Day wonderfully conduct thy servant King WILLIAM, and bring him safely into *England*, to preserve us from the attempts of our enemies to bereave us of our Religion and Laws; We most humbly praise and magnify thy most glorious Name for thy unspeakable goodness towards us, expressed in both these acts of thy mercy. We confess, it has been of thy mercy alone, that we are not consumed: for our sins have cried to heaven against us, and our iniquities justly called for vengeance upon us. But thou hast not dealt with us after our sins, nor rewarded us after our iniquities; nor given us over, as we deserved, to be a prey to our enemies; but hast in mercy delivered us from their malice, and preserved us from death and destruction. Let the consideration of this thy repeated goodness, O Lord, work in us true repentance; that iniquity may not be our ruin: And increase in us more and more a lively faith and love, fruitful in all holy obedience; that thou mayest still continue thy favour, with the light of thy Gospel, to us and our posterity for evermore: and that for thy dear Son's sake Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

Instead of the Prayer [In time of War and Tumults] *shall be used this Prayer following.*

O LORD, who didst this Day discover the snares of death that were laid for us, and didst wonderfully deliver us from the

same; Be thou still our mighty Protector, and scatter our enemies that delight in blood: Infatuate and defeat their counsels, abate their pride, asswage their malice, and confound their devices. Strengthen the hands of our gracious Sovereign King GEORGE, and all that are put in authority under him, with judgement and justice, to cut off all such workers of iniquity, as turn Religion into Rebellion, and Faith into Faction; that they may never prevail against us, or triumph in the ruin of thy Church among us: but that our gracious Sovereign, and his Realm, being preserved in thy true Religion, and by thy merciful goodness protected in the same, we may all duly serve thee, and give thee thanks in thy holy congregation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the Communion Service, instead of the Collect for the Day, shall this which followeth be used.

ETERNAL God, and our most mighty Protector, we thy unworthy servants do humbly present ourselves before thy Majesty, acknowledging thy power, wisdom, and goodness, in preserving the King, and the Three Estates of the Realm of *England* assembled in Parliament, from the destruction this day intended against them. Make us, we beseech thee, truly thankful for this, and for all other thy great mercies towards us; particularly for making this Day again memorable, by a fresh instance of thy loving-kindness towards us. We bless thee for giving his late Majesty King WILLIAM a safe arrival here, and for making all opposition fall before him, till he became our King and Governor. We beseech thee to protect and defend our Sovereign King GEORGE, and all the Royal Family, from all treasons and conspiracies; Preserve him in thy faith, fear, and love; Prosper his Reign with long happiness here on earth; and crown him with everlasting glory hereafter, through Jesus Christ our only Saviour and Redeemer. *Amen.*

The Epistle. Rom. xiii. 1.

LET every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: for he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil. Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. For, for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing. Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.

The Gospel. Luke ix. 51.

AND it came to pass, when the time was come that he should be received up, he stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem, and sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him. And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem. And when his disciples, James and John, saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did?

But he turned and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of. For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them. And they went to another village.

After the Creed, if there be no Sermon, shall be read one of the six Homilies against Rebellion.

This Sentence is to be read at the Offertory.

WHATSOEVER ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them; for this is the law and the prophets. *Matt.* vii. 12.

After the Prayer for the Church Militant, this following Prayer is to be used.

O GOD, whose Name is excellent in all the earth, and thy glory above the heavens; who on this Day didst miraculously preserve our Church and State from the secret contrivance and hellish malice of Popish conspirators; and on this Day also didst begin to give us a mighty deliverance from the open tyranny and oppression of the same cruel and bloodthirsty enemies; We bless and adore thy glorious Majesty, as for the former, so for this thy late marvellous loving-kindness to our Church and nation, in the preservation of our Religion and Liberties. And we humbly pray, that the devout sense of this thy repeated mercy may renew and increase in us a spirit of love and thankfulness to thee its only Author; a spirit of peaceable submission and obedience to our gracious Sovereign Lord King GEORGE; and a spirit of fervent zeal for our holy Religion, which thou hast so wonderfully rescued, and established a blessing to us and our posterity. And this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. *Amen.*

KING CHARLES THE MARTYR.

A Form of Prayer with Fasting, to be used Yearly upon the *Thirtieth Day of January*, being the Day of the Martyrdom of the Blessed King CHARLES I. to implore the Mercy of God, that neither the Guilt of that sacred and innocent Blood, nor those other Sins, by which God was provoked to deliver both us and our King into the Hands of cruel and unreasonable Men, may at any time hereafter be visited upon us, or our Posterity.

If this Day shall happen to be Sunday, this Form of Prayer shall be used, and the Fast kept the next Day following. And upon the Lord's Day next before the Day to be kept, at Morning Prayer, immediately after the Nicene *Creed, notice shall be given for the due observation of the said Day.*

The Service of the Day shall be the same with the usual Office for Holy-Days in all things; except where it is in this Office otherwise appointed.

THE ORDER FOR MORNING PRAYER.

He that ministereth shall begin with one or more of these Sentences.

TO the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us. *Dan.* ix. 9, 10.

Correct us, O Lord, but with judgement; not in thine anger, lest thou bring us to nothing. *Jer.* x. 24.

Enter not into judgement with thy servants, O Lord: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *Psalm* cxliii. 2.

Instead of Venite exultemus, *the Hymn following shall be said or sung; one Verse by the Priest, and another by the Clerk and People.*

RIGHTEOUS art thou, O Lord: and just are thy judgements! *Psalm* cxix. 137.

Thou art just, O Lord, in all that is brought upon us: for thou hast done right; but we have done wickedly. Neh. ix. 33.

Nevertheless, our feet were almost gone: our treadings had well-nigh slipped. *Psalm* lxxiii. 2.

For why? we were grieved at the wicked: we did also see the ungodly in such prosperity. ver. 3.

The people stood up, and the rulers took counsel together: against the Lord, and against his Anointed. *Psalm* ii. 2.

They cast their heads together with one consent: and were confederate against him. Psalm lxxxiii. 5.

He heard the blasphemy of the multitude, and fear was on every side: while they conspired together against him, to take away his life. *Psalm* xxxi. 15.

They spake against him with false tongues, and compassed him about with words of hatred: and fought against him without a cause. Psalm cix. 2.

Yea, his own familiar friends, whom he trusted: they that eat of his bread, laid great wait for him. *Psalm* xli. 9.

They rewarded him evil for good: to the great discomfort of his soul. Psalm xxxv. 12.

They took their counsel together, saying, God hath forsaken him: persecute him, and take him, for there is none to deliver him. *Psalm* lxxi. 9.

The breath of our nostrils, the Anointed of the Lord was taken in their pits: of whom we said, Under his shadow we shall be safe. Lam. iv. 20.

The adversary and the enemy entered into the gates of Jerusalem: saying, When shall he die, and his name perish? *ver.* 12. *Psalm* xli. 5.

Let the sentence of guiltiness proceed against him: and now that he lieth, let him rise up no more. ver. 8.

False witnesses also did rise up against him: they laid to his charge things that he knew not. *Psalm* xxxv. 11.

For the sins of the people, and the iniquities of the priests: they shed the blood of the Just in the midst of Jerusalem. Lam. iv. 13.

O my soul, come not thou into their secret; unto their assembly, mine honour, be not thou united: for in their anger they slew a man; *Gen.* xlix. 6.

Even the man of thy right hand: the Son of man, whom thou hadst made so strong for thine own self. Psalm lxxx. 17.

In the sight of the unwise he seemed to die: and his departure was taken for misery. *Wisd.* iii. 2.

They, fools, counted his life madness, and his end to be without honour: but he is in peace. Wisd. v. 4. & iii. 3.

For though he was punished in the sight of men: yet was his hope full of immortality. *Wisd.* iii. 4.

How is he numbered with the children of God: and his lot is among the saints! Wisd. v. 5.

But, O Lord God, to whom vengeance belongeth, thou God, to whom vengeance belongeth: be favourable and gracious unto Sion. *Psalm* xciv. 1. & li. 18.

Be merciful, O Lord, unto thy people, whom thou hast redeemed: and lay not innocent blood to our charge. Deut. xxi. 8.

O shut not up our souls with sinners: nor our lives with the blood-thirsty. *Psalm* xxvi. 9.

Deliver us from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of our salvation: and our tongue

shall sing of thy righteousness. Psalm li. 14.

For thou art the God, that hast no pleasure in wickedness : neither shall any evil dwell with thee. *Psalm* v. 4.

Thou wilt destroy them that speak leasing : the Lord abhors both the blood-thirsty and deceitful man. ver. 6.

O how suddenly do they consume : perish, and come to a fearful end! *Psalm* lxxiii. 18.

Yea, even like as a dream, when one awaketh : so didst thou make their image to vanish out of the city. ver. 19.

Great and marvellous are thy works, O Lord God Almighty : just and true are thy ways, O King of saints! *Rev.* xv. 3.

Righteous art thou, O Lord: and just are thy judgements! Psalm cxix. 137.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

Proper Psalms. ix, x, xi.

Proper Lessons.

The First. 2 Sam. i.

The Second. Matt. xxvii.

Instead of the first Collect at Morning Prayer shall these two, which next follow, be used.

O MOST mighty God, terrible in thy judgements, and wonderful in thy doings toward the children of men; who in thy heavy displeasure didst suffer the life of our gracious Sovereign King CHARLES the First, to be (as on this Day) taken away by the hands of cruel and bloody men: We thy sinful creatures here assembled before thee, do, in the behalf of all the people of this land, humbly confess, that they were the crying sins of this Nation, which brought down this heavy judgement upon us. But, O gracious God, when thou makest inquisition for blood, lay not the guilt of this innocent blood (the shedding whereof nothing but the blood of thy Son can expiate,) lay it not to the charge of the people of this land; nor let it ever be required of us, or our posterity. Be merciful, O Lord, be merciful unto thy people, whom thou hast redeemed; and be not angry with us for ever: But pardon us for thy mercies' sake, through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

BLESSED Lord, in whose sight the death of thy saints is precious; We magnify thy Name for thine abundant grace bestowed upon our martyred Sovereign; by which he was enabled so cheerfully to follow the steps of his blessed Master and Saviour, in a constant meek suffering of all barbarous indignities, and at last resisting unto blood; and even then, according to the same pattern, praying for his murderers. Let his memory, O Lord, be ever blessed among us; that we may follow the example of his courage and constancy, his meekness and patience, and great charity. And grant, that this our land may be freed from the vengeance of his righteous blood, and thy mercy glorified in the forgiveness of our sins: and all for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

In the end of the Litany, (which shall always on this Day be used,) immediately after the Collect [We humbly beseech thee, O Father, &c.] *the three Collects next following are to be read.*

O LORD, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto thee; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful pardon may be absolved, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O MOST mighty God and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made; who wouldest not the

death of a sinner, but that he should rather turn from his sin, and be saved; Mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Thy property is always to have mercy; to thee only it appertaineth to forgive sins. Spare us therefore, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed; enter not into judgement with thy servants, who are vile earth and miserable sinners; but so turn thine anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our vileness, and truly repent us of our faults; and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with thee in the world to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

TURN thou us, O good Lord, and so shall we be turned. Be favourable, O Lord, be favourable to thy people, Who turn to thee in weeping, fasting, and praying. For thou art a merciful God, full of compassion, long-suffering, and of great pity. Thou sparest, when we deserve punishment, And in thy wrath thinkest upon mercy. Spare thy people, good Lord, spare them, And let not thine heritage be brought to confusion. Hear us, O Lord, for thy mercy is great; And after the multitude of thy mercies look upon us, Through the merits and mediation of thy blessed Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the Communion Service, after the Prayer for the King [Almighty God, whose kingdom is everlasting, &c.] *instead of the Collect for the Day, shall these two be used:*

O most mighty God, &c.
Blessed Lord, in whose sight, &c.
as in the Morning Prayer.

The Epistle. 1 Peter ii. 13.

SUBMIT yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the King, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evil doers, and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God; that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the King. Servants, be subject to your masters, with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward. For this is thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully. For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God. For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps; who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth.

The Gospel. Matt. xxi. 33.

THERE was a certain householder, which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a wine-press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country: and when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits of it. And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one and killed another, and stoned another. Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they did unto them likewise. But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son. But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him,

and let us seize on his inheritance. And they caught him, and cast him out of the vineyard, and slew him. When the lord, therefore, of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen? They say unto him, He will miserably destroy those wicked men, and will let out his vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.

After the Nicene *Creed shall be read, instead of the Sermon for that Day, the first and second Parts of the Homily against Disobedience and wilful Rebellion, set forth by Authority; or the Minister who officiates shall preach a Sermon of his own composing upon the same Argument.*

In the Offertory shall this Sentence be read:

WHATSOEVER ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets. *Matt.* vii. 12.

After the Prayer [For the whole State of Christ's Church, &c.] *these two Collects following shall be used.*

O LORD, our heavenly Father, who didst not punish us as our sins have deserved, but hast in the midst of judgement remembered mercy; We acknowledge it thine especial favour, that though, for our many and great provocations, thou didst suffer thine Anointed, blessed King CHARLES the First (as on this Day) to fall into the hands of violent and blood-thirsty men, and barbarously to be murdered by them; yet thou didst not leave us for ever, as sheep without a shepherd; but by thy gracious providence didst miraculously preserve the undoubted heir of his Crowns, our then gracious Sovereign King CHARLES the Second, from his bloody enemies, hiding him under the shadow of thy wings, until their tyranny was overpast; and didst bring him back, in thy good appointed time, to sit upon the throne of his Father; and, together with the Royal Family, didst restore to us our ancient government in Church and State. For these thy great and unspeakable mercies, we render to thee our most humble and unfeigned thanks; beseeching thee still to continue thy gracious protection over the whole Royal Family; and to grant to our gracious Sovereign King GEORGE, a long and a happy reign over us: So we, that are thy people, will give thee thanks for ever, and will alway be shewing forth thy praise from generation to generation, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

AND grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE ORDER FOR EVENING PRAYER.

The Hymn appointed to be used at Morning Prayer, instead of Venite exultemus, *shall here also be used before the Proper Psalms:*

Righteous art thou, O Lord, &c.

Proper Psalms. lxxix, xciv, lxxxv.

Proper Lessons.

The First. Jer. xii. *or* Dan. ix. *to* ver. 22.

The Second. Heb. xi. ver. 32. *and* xii. *to* ver. 7.

Instead of the first Collect at Evening Prayer shall these two, which next follow, be used.

O ALMIGHTY Lord God, who by thy wisdom not only guidest and orderest all things most suitably to thine own justice; but also performest thy pleasure in such a manner, that we cannot but acknowledge thee to be righteous in all thy ways, and holy in all thy works: We thy sinful people do here fall down before thee, confessing that thy judgements were right, in permitting cruel men, sons of Belial (as on this Day) to imbrue their hands in the blood of thine Anointed, we having drawn down the same upon ourselves, by the great and long provocations of our sins against thee. For which we do therefore here humble ourselves before thee: beseeching thee to deliver this Nation from blood-guiltiness (that of this Day especially) and to turn from us, and our posterity, all those judgements, which we by our sins have worthily deserved: Grant this for the all-sufficient merits of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

BLESSED God, just and powerful, who didst permit thy dear Servant, our dread Sovereign King CHARLES the First, to be (as upon this Day) given up to the violent outrages of wicked men to be despitefully used, and at last murdered by them: Though we cannot reflect upon so foul an act, but with horror and astonishment; yet do we most gratefully commemorate the glories of thy grace, which then shined forth in thine Anointed; whom thou wast pleased, even at the hour of death, to endue with an eminent measure of exemplary patience, meekness, and charity, before the face of his cruel enemies. And albeit thou didst suffer them to proceed to such an height of violence as to kill him, and to take possession of his throne; yet didst thou in great mercy preserve his Son, whose right it was; and at length by a wonderful providence bring him back and set him thereon; to restore thy true Religion, and to settle Peace amongst us: For these thy great mercies we glorify thy Name, through Jesus Christ our blessed Saviour. *Amen.*

Immediately after the Collect [Lighten our darkness, &c.] *shall these three next following be used:*

O Lord, we beseech thee, &c.
O most mighty God, &c.
Turn thou us, O good Lord, &c.
as before at Morning Prayer.

Immediately before the Prayer of St. Chrysostom *shall this Collect, which next followeth, be used.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, whose righteousness is like the strong mountains, and thy judgements like the great deep; and who, by that barbarous murder (as on this Day) committed upon the sacred person of thine Anointed, hast taught us, that neither the greatest of Kings, nor the best of men, are more secure from violence, than from natural death: Teach us also hereby so to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. And grant, that neither the splendor of any thing that is great, nor the conceit of any thing that is good in us, may withdraw our eyes from looking upon ourselves as sinful dust and ashes; but that according to the example of this thy blessed Martyr, we may press forward to the prize of the high calling that is before us, in faith and patience, humility and meekness, mortification and self-denial, charity and constant perseverance unto the end: And all this for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ his sake; to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

RESTORATION OF THE ROYAL FAMILY.

A Form of Prayer with Thanksgiving to Almighty God, for having put an end to the Great Rebellion, by the Restitution of the King and Royal Family, and the Restoration of the Government after many Years interruption: which unspeakable Mercies were wonderfully completed upon the *Twenty-ninth of May*, in the Year 1660. And in Memory thereof, that Day in every Year is, by Act of Parliament, appointed to be for ever kept holy.

The Act of Parliament made in the Twelfth, and confirmed in the Thirteenth Year of King CHARLES *the Second, for the Observation of the* Twenty-ninth Day of May *yearly, as a Day of public Thanksgiving, is to be read publicly in all Churches at Morning Prayer, immediately after the* Nicene *Creed, on the Lord's Day next before every such* Twenty-ninth of May, *and notice shall be given for the due Observation of the said Day.*

The Service shall be the same with the usual Office for Holy-Days; except where it is in this Office otherwise appointed.

If this Day shall happen to be Ascension-Day, *or* Whit-Sunday, *the Collects of this Office are to be added to the Offices of those Festivals in their proper places; if it be* Monday *or* Tuesday *in* Whitsun-week, *or* Trinity-Sunday, *the Proper Psalms appointed for this Day, instead of those of ordinary course, shall be also used, and the Collects added as before: and in all these cases the rest of this Office shall be omitted; but if it shall happen to be any other Sunday, this whole Office shall be used, as it followeth, entirely. And what Festival soever shall happen to fall upon this solemn Day of Thanksgiving, the following Hymn, appointed instead of* Venite exultemus, *shall be constantly used.*

Morning Prayer shall begin with these Sentences.

TO the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us. *Dan.* ix. 9, 10.

It is of the Lord's mercies that we were not consumed: because his compassions fail not. *Lam.* iii. 22.

Instead of Venite exultemus *shall be said or sung this Hymn following; one Verse by the Priest, and another by the Clerk and People.*

MY song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord: with my mouth will I ever be shewing forth his truth from one generation to another. *Ps.* lxxxix. 1.

The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works: that they ought to be had in remembrance. Psalm cxi. 4.

Who can express the noble acts of the Lord: or shew forth all his praise? *Psalm* cvi. 2.

The works of the Lord are great: sought out of all them that have pleasure therein. Psalm cxi. 2.

The Lord setteth up the meek: and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground. *Psalm* cxlvii. 6.

The Lord executeth righteousness and judgement: for all them that are oppressed with wrong. Psalm ciii. 6.

For he will not alway be chiding: neither keepeth he his anger for ever. *ver.* 9.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins: nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses. ver. 10.

For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth: so great is his mercy toward them that fear him. *ver.* 11.

Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children: even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him. ver. 13.

Thou, O God, hast proved us: thou also hast tried us, even as silver is tried. *Psalm* lxvi. 9.

Thou sufferedst men to ride over our heads, we went through fire and water: but thou hast brought us out into a wealthy place. ver. 11.

Oh, how great troubles and adversities hast thou shewed us! and yet didst thou turn and refresh us: yea, and broughtest us from the deep of the earth again. *Psalm* lxxi. 18.

Thou didst remember us in our low estate, and redeem us from our enemies: for thy mercy endureth for ever. Psalm cxxxvi. 23, 24.

Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. *Psalm* lxxxv. 1.

God hath shewed us his goodness plenteously: and God hath let us see our desire upon our enemies. Psalm lix. 10.

They are brought down, and fallen: but we are risen, and stand upright. *Psalm* xx. 8.

There are they fallen, all that work wickedness: they are cast down, and shall not be able to stand. Psalm xxxvi. 12.

The Lord hath been mindful of us, and he shall bless us: even he shall bless the house of Israel, he shall bless the house of Aaron. *Psalm* cxv. 12.

He shall bless them that fear the Lord: both small and great. ver. 13.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness: and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men! *Psalm* cvii. 21.

That they would offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving: and tell out his works with gladness! ver. 22.

And not hide them from the children of the generations to come: but shew the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done. *Psalm* lxxviii. 4.

That our posterity may also know them, and the children that are yet unborn: and not be as their forefathers, a faithless and stubborn generation. ver. 6. 9.

Give thanks, O Israel, unto God the Lord in the congregations: from the ground of the heart. *Psalm* lxviii. 26.

Praised be the Lord daily: even the God who helpeth us, and poureth his benefits upon us. ver. 19.

O let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end: but establish thou the righteous. *Psalm* vii. 9.

Let all those that seek thee, be joyful and glad in thee: and let all such as love thy salvation, say alway, The Lord be praised. Psalm xl. 19.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

Proper Psalms.
cxxiv, cxxvi, cxxix, cxviii.

Proper Lessons.
First. 2 Sam. xix. 9. *or* Numb. xvi.
Te Deum.
Second. The Epistle of Jude.
Jubilate Deo.

The Suffrages next after the Creed shall stand thus:

Priest. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;

Answer. *And grant us thy salvation.*

Priest. O Lord, save the King;

Answer. *Who putteth his trust in thee.*

Priest. Send him help from thy holy place;

Answer. *And evermore mightily defend him.*

Priest. Let his enemies have no advantage against him;

Answer. *Let not the wicked approach to hurt him.*

Priest. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

Answer. *And make thy chosen people joyful.*

Priest. Give peace in our time, O Lord;

Answer. *Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

Priest. Be unto us, OLord, a strong tower;

Answer. *From the face of our enemies.*

Priest. O Lord, hear our prayer;

Answer. *And let our cry come unto thee.*

Instead of the first Collect at Morning Prayer, shall these two which follow be used.

O ALMIGHTY God, who art a strong tower of defence unto thy servants against the face of their enemies; We yield thee praise and thanksgiving for the wonderful deliverance of these kingdoms from THE GREAT REBELLION, and all the miseries and oppressions consequent thereupon, under which they had so long groaned. We acknowledge it thy goodness, that we were not utterly delivered over as a prey unto them; beseeching thee still to continue such thy mercies towards us, that all the world may know, that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O LORD God of our salvation, who hast been exceedingly gracious unto this land, and by thy miraculous providence didst deliver us out of our miserable confusions, by restoring to us, and to his own just and undoubted rights, our then most gracious Sovereign Lord King CHARLES the Second, notwithstanding all the power and malice of his enemies; and by placing him on the throne of these Kingdoms, didst restore also unto us the public and free profession of thy true religion and worship, together with our former peace and prosperity, to the great comfort and joy of our hearts: We are here now before thee, with all due thankfulness to acknowledge thine unspeakable goodness herein, as upon this Day, shewed unto us, and to offer unto thee our sacrifice of praise for the same; humbly beseeching thee to accept this our unfeigned, though unworthy, oblation of ourselves; vowing all holy obedience, in thought, word, and work, unto thy Divine Majesty; and promising all loyal and dutiful allegiance to thine Anointed Servant now set over us, and to his heirs after him: whom we beseech thee to bless with all increase of grace, honour, and happiness in this world, and to crown him with immortality and glory in the world to come, for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

In the end of the Litany (which shall always this Day be used) after the Collect [We humbly beseech thee, &c.] *shall this be said which next followeth:*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast in all ages shewed forth thy power and mercy in the miraculous and gracious deliverances of thy Church, and in the protection of righteous and religious Kings and States, professing thy holy and eternal Truth, from the malicious conspiracies and wicked practices of all their enemies; We yield unto thee our unfeigned thanks and praise, as for thy many other great and public mercies, so especially for that signal and wonderful deliverance, by thy wise and good providence, as upon this Day completed, and vouchsafed to our then most gracious Sovereign King CHARLES the Second,

and all the Royal Family, and in them to this whole Church and State, and all orders and degrees of men in both, from the unnatural Rebellion, Usurpation, and Tyranny of ungodly and cruel men, and from the sad confusions and ruin thereupon ensuing. From all these, O gracious and merciful Lord God, not our merit, but thy mercy, not our foresight, but thy providence, not our own arm, but thy right hand and thine arm, did rescue and deliver us. And therefore not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name be ascribed all honour, and glory, and praise, with most humble and hearty thanks, in all Churches of the Saints: Even so, blessed be the Lord our God, who alone doeth wondrous things; and blessed be the Name of his Majesty for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord and only Saviour. *Amen.*

In the Communion Service, immediately before the reading of the Epistle, shall these two Collects be used, instead of the Collect for the King, and the Collect of the Day.

O Almighty God, &c.
O Lord God of our salvation, &c.
as in the Morning Prayer.

The Epistle. 1 Pet. ii. 11.

DEARLY beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evil doers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the King, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evil doers, and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the King.

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AND they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man; for thou regardest not the person of men. Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Cesar, or not? But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites? Shew me the tribute money. And they brought unto him a penny. And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription? They say unto him, Cesar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Cesar the things which are Cesar's, and unto God the things that are God's. When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

In the Offertory shall this Sentence be read.

NOT every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. *Matt.* vii. 21.

After the Prayer [For the whole State of Christ's Church, &c.] *this Collect following shall be used.*

ALMIGHTY God, and heavenly Father, who, of thine infinite and unspeakable goodness towards us, didst in a most extraordinary and wonderful manner disappoint and overthrow the wicked designs of those traitorous, heady, and high-minded men, who, under the

pretence of Religion, and thy most holy Name, had contrived, and well-nigh effected, the utter destruction of this Church and Kingdom; as we do this Day most heartily and devoutly adore and magnify thy glorious Name for this thine infinite goodness already vouchsafed to us; so do we most humbly beseech thee to continue thy grace and favour towards us, that no such dismal calamity may ever again fall upon us. Infatuate and defeat all the secret counsels of deceitful and wicked men against us: Abate their pride, asswage their malice, and confound their devices. Strengthen the hands of our gracious Sovereign King GEORGE, and all that are put in authority under him, with judgement and justice to cut off all such workers of iniquity, as turn Religion into Rebellion, and Faith into Faction; that they may never again prevail against us, nor triumph in the ruin of the Monarchy and thy Church among us. Protect and defend our Sovereign Lord the King, with the whole Royal Family, from all treasons and conspiracies. Be unto him an helmet of salvation, and a strong tower of defence against the face of all his enemies: Clothe them with shame and confusion; but upon himself and his posterity let the Crown for ever flourish. So we thy people, and the sheep of thy pasture, will give thee thanks for ever, and will always be shewing forth thy praise, from generation to generation, through Jesus Christ our only Saviour and Redeemer; to whom, with thee, O Father, and the Holy Ghost, be glory in the Church throughout all ages, world without end. *Amen.*

THE KING'S ACCESSION.

A Form of Prayer with Thanksgiving to Almighty God, to be used in all Churches and Chapels within this Realm, every Year, upon the *Twenty-fifth Day of October;* being the Day on which his Majesty began his happy Reign.

The Service shall be the same with the usual Office for Holy-Days in all things; except where it is in this Office otherwise appointed.

If this Day shall happen to be Sunday, this whole Office shall be used, as it followeth, entirely.

Morning Prayer shall begin with these Sentences.

I EXHORT that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for Kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty: for this is good and acceptable unto God our Saviour. 1 *Tim.* ii. 1, 2, 3.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: but if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 *John* i. 8, 9.

Instead of Venite exultemus, *the Hymn following shall be said or sung; one Verse by the Priest, and another by the Clerk and People.*

O LORD our Governor: how excellent is thy Name in all the world! *Psalm* viii. 1.

Lord what is man that thou hast such respect unto him : or the son of man, that thou so regardest him! Psalm cxliv. 3.

The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works: that they ought to be had in remembrance. *Psalm* cxi. 4.

O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness : and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men! Psalm cvii. 21.

Behold, O God, our defender : and look upon the face of thine Anointed. *Psalm* lxxxiv. 9.

O hold thou up his goings in thy paths : that his footsteps slip not. Psalm xvii. 5.

Grant the King a long life : and make him glad with the joy of thy countenance. *Psalm* lxi. 6. *and* xxi. 6.

Let him dwell before thee for ever : O prepare thy loving-mercy and faithfulness, that they may preserve him. Psalm lxi. 7.

In his time let the righteous flourish : and let peace be in all our borders. *Psalm* lxxii. 7. *and* cxlvii. 14.

As for his enemies, clothe them with shame : but upon himself let his crown flourish. Psalm cxxxii. 19.

Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel : which only doeth wondrous things. *Psalm* lxxii. 18.

And blessed be the Name of his Majesty for ever : and all the earth shall be filled with his Majesty. Amen, Amen. ver. 19.

Glory be to the Father, &c.
As it was in the beginning, &c.

Proper Psalms. xx, xxi, ci.
Proper Lessons.
The First. Josh. i. to end of ver. 9.
Te Deum.
The Second. Rom. xiii.
Jubilate Deo.

The Suffrages next after the Creed shall stand thus:

Priest. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;

Answ. *And grant us thy salvation.*

Priest. O Lord, save the King;

Answ. *Who putteth his trust in thee.*

Priest. Send him help from thy holy place;

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Priest. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

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Priest. O Lord, save thy people;

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Priest. Be unto us, O Lord, a strong tower;

Answ. *From the face of our enemies.*

Priest. O Lord, hear our prayer;

Answ. *And let our cry come unto thee.*

Instead of the first Collect at Morning Prayer shall be used this following Collect of Thanksgiving, for his Majesty's Accession to the Throne.

ALMIGHTY God, who rulest over all the kingdoms of the world, and disposest of them according to thy good pleasure; We yield thee unfeigned thanks for that thou wast pleased, as on this Day, to place thy Servant, our Sovereign Lord King GEORGE, upon the Throne of this Realm. Let thy wisdom be his guide, and let thine arm strengthen him; let justice, truth, and holiness, let peace, and love, and all those virtues, that adorn the Christian profession, flourish in his days: Direct all his counsels and endeavours to thy glory, and the welfare of his people; and give

us grace to obey him cheerfully and willingly for conscience' sake; that neither our sinful passions, nor our private interests, may disappoint his cares for the public good: let him always possess the hearts of his people, that they may never be wanting in honour to his person, and dutiful submission to his authority: let his reign be long and prosperous, and crown him with immortality in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the end of the Litany (which shall always be used upon this Day) after the Collect [We humbly beseech thee, O Father, &c.] *shall the following Prayer, for the King and Royal Family, be used.*

O LORD our God, who upholdest and governest all things in heaven and earth, receive our humble prayers, with our hearty thanksgivings for our Sovereign Lord GEORGE, as on this Day, set over us by thy grace and providence to be our King; and so together with him bless their Royal Highnesses *George* Prince of *Wales*, the Princess of *Wales*, and all the Royal Family; that they all ever trusting in thy goodness, protected by thy power, and crowned with thy gracious and endless favour, may continue before thee in health, peace, joy, and honour, and may live long and happy lives upon earth, and after death obtain everlasting life and glory in the kingdom of heaven, by the merits and mediation of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Then shall follow this Collect for God's protection of the King against all his enemies.

MOST gracious God, who hast set thy servant GEORGE our King upon the Throne of his Ancestors, we most humbly beseech thee to protect him on the same from all the dangers to which he may be exposed; Hide him from the gathering together of the froward, and from the insurrection of wicked doers: Do thou weaken the hands, blast the designs, and defeat the enterprizes of all his enemies; that no secret conspiracies, nor open violences, may disquiet his reign; but that being safely kept under the shadow of thy wings; and supported by thy power, he may triumph over all opposition; that so the world may acknowledge thee to be his defender and mighty deliverer in all difficulties and adversities, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Then the Prayer for the High Court of Parliament, if sitting.

In the Communion Service, immediately before the reading of the Epistle, instead of the Collect for the King, and that of the Day, shall be used this Prayer for the King, as supreme Governor of this Church.

BLESSED Lord, who hast called Christian Princes to the defence of thy faith, and hast made it their duty to promote the spiritual welfare, together with the temporal interest, of their people; We acknowledge with humble and thankful hearts thy great goodness to us in setting thy Servant, our most gracious King, over this Church and Nation: Give him, we beseech thee, all those heavenly graces, that are requisite for so high a trust; Let the work of thee, his God, prosper in his hand; Let his eyes behold the success of his designs for the service of thy true Religion established amongst us; and make him a blessed instrument of protecting and advancing thy truth, wherever it is persecuted and oppressed; Let hypocrisy and profaneness, superstition and idolatry fly before his face; Let not

heresies and false doctrines disturb the peace of the Church, nor schisms and causeless divisions weaken it; but grant us to be of one heart and one mind in serving thee, our God, and obeying him according to thy will. And that these blessings may be continued to after ages, let there never be one wanting in his house to succeed him in the government of this United Kingdom, that our posterity may see his children's children, and peace upon Israel. So we that are thy people, and sheep of thy pasture, shall give thee thanks for ever, and will always be shewing forth thy praise from generation to generation. *Amen.*

The Epistle. 1 Pet. ii. 11.

DEARLY beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evil doers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the King, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evil doers, and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the King.

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After the Nicene *Creed shall follow the Sermon.*

In the Offertory shall this Sentence be read:

LET your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. *Matt.* v. 16.

After the Prayer [For the whole State of Christ's Church, &c.] *these Collects following shall be used.*

A Prayer for Unity.

O GOD, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord; that as there is but one body, and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God, and Father of us all; so we may henceforth be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity; and may with one mind and one mouth glorify thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably

ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words, which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through thy grace be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of thy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

GEORGE R.

"OUR Will and Pleasure is, That these Four Forms of Prayer and Service, made "for the Fifth of November, the Thirtieth of January, the Twenty-ninth of "May, and the Twenty-fifth of October, be forthwith printed, and published, and "annexed to the Book of Common Prayer, and Liturgy of the Church of England; to "be used Yearly on the said Days, in all Cathedral and Collegiate Churches and "Chapels, in all Chapels of Colleges and Halls within both Our Universities, and of "Our Colleges of Eaton and Winchester, and in all Parish Churches and Chapels "within that Part of Our Kingdom of Great Britain called England, the Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed.

"Given at Our Court at St. James's the Seventh Day of "October, 1761; in the First Year of Our Reign.

"By His Majesty's Command,

"BUTE."

ARTICLES OF RELIGION,

AGREED UPON

BY THE ARCHBISHOPS AND BISHOPS OF BOTH PROVINCES,

AND THE WHOLE CLERGY,

IN THE CONVOCATION HOLDEN AT LONDON IN 1562,

FOR AVOIDING OF DIVERSITIES OF OPINIONS, AND FOR THE ESTABLISHING OF CONSENT TOUCHING TRUE RELIGION.

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I. *Of Faith in the Holy Trinity.*

THERE is but one living and true God, everlasting, without body, parts, or passions; of infinite power, wisdom, and goodness; the Maker and Preserver of all things, both visible and invisible. And in unity of this Godhead there be three Persons, of one substance, power, and eternity: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

II. *Of the Word, or Son of God, which was made very Man.*

THE Son, which is the Word of the Father, begotten from everlasting of the Father, the very and eternal God, and of one substance with the Father, took Man's nature in the womb of the blessed Virgin, of her substance: so that two whole and perfect natures, that is to say, the Godhead and Manhood, were joined together in one Person, never to be divided, whereof is one Christ, very God, and very Man; who truly suffered, was crucified, dead, and buried, to reconcile his Father to us, and to be a sacrifice, not only for original guilt, but also for actual sins of men.

III. *Of the going down of Christ into Hell.*

AS Christ died for us, and was buried; so also is it to be believed, that he went down into Hell.

IV. *Of the Resurrection of Christ.*

CHRIST did truly rise again from death, and took again his body, with flesh, bones, and all things appertaining to the perfection of Man's nature, wherewith he ascended into heaven, and there sitteth, until he return to judge all men at the last day.

V. *Of the Holy Ghost.*

THE Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, is of one substance, majesty, and glory with the Father and the Son, very and eternal God.

VI. *Of the Sufficiency of the Holy Scriptures for Salvation.*

HOLY Scripture containeth all things necessary to Salvation: so that whatsoever is not read therein, nor may be proved thereby, is not to be required of any man, that it should be believed as an Article of the Faith, or be thought requisite or necessary to salvation. In the name of the holy Scripture we do understand those Canonical Books of the Old and New Testament, of whose authority was never any doubt in the Church.

Of the Names and Number of the Canonical Books.

GENESIS,
Exodus,
Leviticus,
Numeri,
Deuteronomium,
Joshua,
Judges,
Ruth,
The First Book of Samuel,
The Second Book of Samuel,
The First Book of Kings,
The Second Book of Kings,
The First Book of Chronicles,
The Second Book of Chronicles,
The First Book of Esdras,
The Second Book of Esdras,
The Book of Esther,
The Book of Job,
The Psalms,
The Proverbs,
Ecclesiastes, or Preacher,
Cantica, or Songs of Solomon,
Four Prophets the greater,
Twelve Prophets the less.

And the other Books (as *Hierome* saith) the Church doth read for example of life, and instruction of manners; but yet doth it not apply them to establish any doctrine; such are these following:

THE Third Book of Esdras,
The Fourth Book of Esdras,
The Book of Tobias,
The Book of Judith,
The rest of the Book of Esther,
The Book of Wisdom,
Jesus the Son of Sirach,
Baruch the Prophet,
The Song of the Three Children,
The Story of Susanna,
Of Bel and the Dragon,
The Prayer of Manasses,
The First Book of Maccabees,
The Second Book of Maccabees.

All the Books of the New Testament, as they are commonly received, we do receive, and account them Canonical.

VII. *Of the Old Testament.*

THE Old Testament is not contrary to the New; for both in the Old and New Testament everlasting life is offered to mankind by Christ, who is the only Mediator between God and Man, being both God and Man. Wherefore they are not to be heard, which feign that the old Fathers did look only for transitory promises. Although the Law given from God by Moses, as touching ceremonies and rites, do not bind Christian men, nor the Civil precepts thereof ought of necessity to be received in any commonwealth; yet notwithstanding, no Christian man whatsoever is free from the obedience of the Commandments which are called Moral.

VIII. *Of the Three Creeds.*

THE Three Creeds, *Nicene* Creed, *Athanasius's* Creed, and that which is commonly called the *Apostles'* Creed, ought thoroughly to be received and believed: for they may be proved

by most certain warrants of holy Scripture.

IX. *Of Original, or Birth-Sin.*

ORIGINAL Sin standeth not in the following of *Adam* (as the *Pelagians* do vainly talk); but it is the fault and corruption of the nature of every man, that naturally is ingendered of the offspring of *Adam*, whereby man is very far gone from original righteousness, and is of his own nature inclined to evil, so that the flesh lusteth always contrary to the Spirit; and therefore in every person born into this world, it deserveth God's wrath and damnation. And this infection of nature doth remain, yea, in them that are regenerated; whereby the lust of the flesh, called in Greek *Φρόνημα σαρκὸς*, which some do expound the wisdom, some sensuality, some the affection, some the desire of the flesh, is not subject to the law of God. And although there is no condemnation for them that believe and are baptized; yet the Apostle doth confess, that concupiscence and lust hath of itself the nature of sin.

X. *Of Free-Will.*

THE condition of man, after the fall of *Adam*, is such, that he cannot turn and prepare himself by his own natural strength and good works to faith, and calling upon God; wherefore we have no power to do good works, pleasant and acceptable to God, without the grace of God by Christ preventing us, that we may have a good will, and working with us, when we have that good will.

XI. *Of the Justification of Man.*

WE are accounted righteous before God, only for the merit of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, by faith; and not for our own works or deservings. Wherefore, that we are justified by Faith only, is a most wholesome doctrine, and very full of comfort, as more largely is expressed in the Homily of Justification.

XII. *Of Good Works.*

ALBEIT that Good Works, which are the fruits of Faith, and follow after Justification, cannot put away our sins, and endure the severity of God's judgement; yet are they pleasing and acceptable to God in Christ, and do spring out necessarily of a true and lively Faith; insomuch that by them a lively Faith may be as evidently known, as a tree discerned by the fruit.

XIII. *Of Works before Justification*

WORKS done before the grace of Christ, and the inspiration of his Spirit, are not pleasant to God, forasmuch as they spring not of Faith in Jesus Christ, neither do they make men meet to receive grace, or (as the School authors say) deserve grace of congruity: yea, rather for that they are not done as God hath willed and commanded them to be done, we doubt not but they have the nature of sin.

XIV. *Of Works of Supererogation.*

VOLUNTARY Works, besides over and above God's Commandments, which they call Works of Supererogation, cannot be taught without arrogancy and impiety: for by them men do declare, that they do not only render unto God as much as they are bound to do, but that they do more for his sake, than of bounden duty is required: whereas Christ saith plainly, When ye

have done all that are commanded to you, say, We are unprofitable servants.

XV. *Of Christ alone without Sin.*

CHRIST in the truth of our nature, was made like unto us in all things, sin only except; from which he was clearly void, both in his flesh, and in his Spirit. He came to be the Lamb without spot, who by sacrifice of himself once made, should take away the sins of the world: and sin, as Saint *John* saith, was not in him. But all we the rest, although baptized, and born again in Christ, yet offend in many things; and if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

XVI. *Of Sin after Baptism.*

NOT every deadly sin willingly committed after Baptism is sin against the Holy Ghost, and unpardonable. Wherefore the grant of repentance is not to be denied to such as fall into sin after Baptism. After we have received the Holy Ghost, we may depart from grace given, and fall into sin; and by the grace of God we may rise again, and amend our lives: and therefore they are to be condemned, which say, they can no more sin as long as they live here, or deny the place of forgiveness to such as truly repent.

XVII. *Of Predestination and Election.*

PREDESTINATION to life, is the everlasting purpose of God, whereby, before the foundations of the world were laid, he hath constantly decreed by his counsel, secret to us, to deliver from curse and damnation those whom he hath chosen in Christ out of mankind, and to bring them by Christ to everlasting salvation, as vessels made to honour. Wherefore, they which be endued with so excellent a benefit of God, be called according to God's purpose by his Spirit working in due season: they through grace obey the calling: they be justified freely: they be made sons of God by adoption: they be made like the image of his only-begotten Son Jesus Christ: they walk religiously in good works, and at length, by God's mercy, they attain to everlasting felicity.

As the godly consideration of Predestination and our Election in Christ is full of sweet, pleasant, and unspeakable comfort to godly persons, and such as feel in themselves the working of the Spirit of Christ, mortifying the works of the flesh and their earthly members, and drawing up their mind to high and heavenly things; as well because it doth greatly establish and confirm their faith of eternal salvation, to be enjoyed through Christ, as because it doth fervently kindle their love towards God; so, for curious and carnal persons, lacking the Spirit of Christ, to have continually before their eyes the sentence of God's Predestination, is a most dangerous downfall, whereby the Devil doth thrust them either into desperation, or into wretchlessness of most unclean living, no less perilous than desperation.

Furthermore, we must receive God's promises in such wise, as they be generally set forth to us in holy Scripture: and in our doings, that will of God is to be followed, which we have expressly declared unto us in the Word of God.

XVIII. *Of obtaining eternal Salvation only by the Name of Christ.*

THEY also are to be had accursed, that presume to say, that every man shall be saved by the Law or Sect which he professeth, so that he be diligent to

frame his life according to that law, and the light of nature. For holy Scripture doth set out unto us only the name of Jesus Christ, whereby men must be saved.

XIX. *Of the Church.*

THE visible Church of Christ is a Congregation of faithful men, in the which the pure Word of God is preached, and the Sacraments be duly ministered according to Christ's ordinance, in all those things that of necessity are requisite to the same.

As the Church of *Hierusalem*, *Alexandria*, and *Antioch*, have erred; so also the Church of *Rome* hath erred; not only in their living and manner of Ceremonies, but also in matters of Faith.

XX. *Of the Authority of the Church.*

THE Church hath power to decree Rites or Ceremonies, and authority in Controversies of Faith: and yet it is not lawful for the Church to ordain any thing that is contrary to God's Word written: neither may it so expound one place of Scripture, that it be repugnant to another. Wherefore, although the Church be a witness and a keeper of Holy Writ, yet as it ought not to decree any thing against the same; so besides the same ought it not to enforce any thing to be believed for necessity of salvation.

XXI. *Of the Authority of General Councils.*

GENERAL Councils may not be gathered together without the commandment and will of Princes. And when they be gathered together, (forasmuch as they be an assembly of Men, whereof all be not governed with the Spirit and Word of God) they may err, and sometimes have erred, even in things pertaining unto God. Wherefore, things ordained by them as necessary to salvation, have neither strength nor authority, unless it may be declared that they be taken out of holy Scripture.

XXII. *Of Purgatory.*

THE Romish Doctrine concerning Purgatory, Pardons, Worshipping and Adoration, as well of Images as of Reliques, and also Invocation of Saints, is a fond thing, vainly invented, and grounded upon no warranty of Scripture, but rather repugnant to the Word of God.

XXIII. *Of Ministering in the Congregation.*

IT is not lawful for any man to take upon him the Office of publick preaching, or ministering the Sacraments in the Congregation, before he be lawfully called, and sent to execute the same. And those we ought to judge lawfully called and sent, which be chosen and called to this work by men who have publick authority given unto them in the Congregation, to call and send Ministers into the Lord's vineyard.

XXIV. *Of speaking in the Congregation in such a Tongue as the People understandeth.*

IT is a thing plainly repugnant to the Word of God, and the custom of the primitive Church, to have publick prayer in the Church, or to minister the Sacraments, in a tongue not understanded of the people.

XXV. *Of the Sacraments.*

SACRAMENTS ordained of Christ, be not only badges or tokens of Christian men's profession; but rather they be certain

sure witnesses, and effectual signs of grace, and God's good will towards us, by the which he doth work invisibly in us, and doth not only quicken, but also strengthen and confirm our faith in him.

There are two Sacraments ordained of Christ our Lord in the Gospel; that is to say, Baptism, and the Supper of the Lord.

Those five, commonly called Sacraments, that is to say, Confirmation, Penance, Orders, Matrimony, and extreme Unction, are not to be counted for Sacraments of the Gospel, being such as have grown, partly of the corrupt following of the Apostles, partly are states of life allowed in the Scriptures: but yet have not like nature of Sacraments with Baptism, and the Lord's Supper, for that they have not any visible sign or ceremony ordained of God.

The Sacraments were not ordained of Christ to be gazed upon, or to be carried about; but that we should duly use them. And in such only as worthily receive the same, they have a wholesome effect or operation: but they that receive them unworthily, purchase to themselves damnation, as Saint *Paul* saith.

XXVI. *Of the Unworthiness of the Ministers, which hinders not the Effect of the Sacraments.*

ALTHOUGH in the visible Church the evil be ever mingled with the good, and sometimes the evil have chief authority in the ministration of the Word and Sacraments; yet forasmuch as they do not the same in their own name, but in Christ's, and do minister by his commission and authority, we may use their ministry, both in hearing the Word of God, and in receiving of the Sacraments. Neither is the effect of Christ's ordinance taken away by their wickedness, nor the grace of God's gifts diminished from such, as by faith, and rightly do receive the Sacraments ministered unto them; which be effectual because of Christ's institution and promise, although they be ministered by evil men.

Nevertheless, it appertaineth to the discipline of the Church, that inquiry be made of evil Ministers, and that they be accused by those that have knowledge of their offences; and finally, being found guilty, by just judgement be deposed.

XXVII. *Of Baptism.*

BAPTISM is not only a sign of profession, and mark of difference, whereby Christian men are discerned from others that be not christened; but it is also a sign of Regeneration, or New Birth, whereby, as by an instrument, they that receive Baptism rightly, are grafted into the Church; the promises of the forgiveness of sin, and of our adoption to be the sons of God by the Holy Ghost, are visibly signed and sealed; Faith is confirmed, and Grace increased by virtue of prayer unto God. The Baptism of young children is in any wise to be retained in the Church, as most agreeable with the institution of Christ.

XXVIII. *Of the Lord's Supper.*

THE Supper of the Lord is not only a sign of the love that Christians ought to have among themselves one to another; but rather is a Sacrament of our Redemption by Christ's death: insomuch that to such as rightly, worthily, and with faith receive the same, the Bread which we break is a partaking of the Body of Christ; and likewise the Cup of Blessing is a partaking of the Blood of Christ.

Transubstantiation, (or the change of the substance of Bread and Wine) in the Supper of the Lord, cannot be proved by holy

Writ; but is repugnant to the plain words of Scripture, overthroweth the nature of a Sacrament, and hath given occasion to many superstitions.

The Body of Christ is given, taken, and eaten in the Supper, only after an heavenly and spiritual manner. And the mean whereby the Body of Christ is received and eaten in the Supper, is Faith.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was not by Christ's ordinance reserved, carried about, lifted up, or worshipped.

XXIX. *Of the Wicked, which do not eat the Body of Christ in the Use of the Lord's Supper.*

THE wicked, and such as be void of a lively faith, although they do carnally and visibly press with their teeth (as St. *Augustine* saith) the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ; yet in no wise are they partakers of Christ; but rather to their condemnation, do eat and drink the sign or Sacrament of so great a thing.

XXX. *Of both Kinds.*

THE Cup of the Lord is not to be denied to the Lay-people: for both the parts of the Lord's Sacrament, by Christ's ordinance and commandment, ought to be ministered to all Christian men alike.

XXXI. *Of the one Oblation of Christ finished upon the Cross.*

THE offering of Christ once made, is that perfect Redemption, Propitiation, and Satisfaction for all the sins of the whole world, both original and actual; and there is none other satisfaction for sin, but that alone. Wherefore, the sacrifice of Masses, in the which it was commonly said, that the Priest did offer Christ for the quick and the dead, to have remission of pain or guilt, were blasphemous fables, and dangerous deceits.

XXXII. *Of the Marriage of Priests.*

BISHOPS, Priests, and Deacons, are not commanded by God's Law, either to vow the estate of single life, or to abstain from marriage: therefore it is lawful for them, as for all other Christian men, to marry at their own discretion, as they shall judge the same to serve better to godliness.

XXXIII. *Of excommunicate Persons, how they are to be avoided.*

THAT Person, which by open denunciation of the Church is rightly cut off from the unity of the Church, and excommunicated, ought to be taken of the whole multitude of the faithful, as an Heathen and Publican, until he be openly reconciled by penance, and received into the Church by a Judge that hath authority thereunto.

XXXIV. *Of the Traditions of the Church.*

IT is not necessary that Traditions and Ceremonies be in all places one, and utterly like; for at all times they have been diverse, and may be changed according to the diversities of countries, times, and men's manners, so that nothing be ordained against God's Word. Whosoever through his private judgement, willingly and purposely doth openly break the traditions and ceremonies of the Church, which be not repugnant to the Word of God, and be ordained and approved by common authority, ought to be rebuked openly, (that others may fear to do the like) as he that offendeth against the common Order of the Church,

and hurteth the authority of the magistrate, and woundeth the consciences of the weak brethren.

Every particular or national Church hath authority to ordain, change, and abolish ceremonies or rites of the Church, ordained only by man's authority, so that all things be done to edifying.

XXXV. *Of the Homilies.*

THE Second Book of Homilies, the several titles whereof we have joined under this Article, doth contain a godly and wholesome doctrine, and necessary for these times, as doth the former book of Homilies, which were set forth in the time of *Edward* the Sixth; and therefore we judge them to be read in Churches by the Ministers, diligently and distinctly, that they may be understanded of the people.

Of the Names of the Homilies.

1. Of the right use of the Church.
2. Against Peril of Idolatry.
3. Of repairing and keeping clean of Churches.
4. Of good Works; first of Fasting.
5. Against Gluttony and Drunkenness.
6. Against excess of Apparel.
7. Of Prayer.
8. Of the Place and Time of Prayer.
9. The Common Prayer and Sacraments ought to be ministered in a known Tongue.
10. Of the reverend Estimation of God's Word.
11. Of Alms-doing.
12. Of the Nativity of Christ.
13. Of the Passion of Christ.
14. Of the Resurrection of Christ.
15. Of the worthy receiving of the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ.
16. Of the Gifts of the Holy Ghost.
17. Of the Rogation-Days.
18. Of the Estate of Matrimony.
19. Of Repentance.
20. Against Idleness.
21. Against Rebellion.

XXXVI. *Of Consecration of Bishops and Ministers.*

THE Book of Consecration of Archbishops and Bishops, and ordering of Priests and Deacons, lately set forth in the time of *Edward* the Sixth, and confirmed at the same time by authority of Parliament, doth contain all things necessary to such consecration and ordering: neither hath it any thing that of itself is superstitious and ungodly. And therefore whosoever are consecrated or ordered according to the rites of that Book, since the second year of the forenamed King *Edward*, unto this time, or hereafter shall be consecrated or ordered according to the same rites; we decree all such to be rightly, orderly, and lawfully consecrated and ordered.

XXXVII. *Of the Civil Magistrates.*

THE King's Majesty hath the chief power in this Realm of *England*, and other his dominions, unto whom the chief government of all estates of this Realm, whether they be ecclesiastical or civil, in all causes doth appertain; and is not, nor ought to be, subject to any foreign jurisdiction.

Where we attribute to the King's Majesty, the chief government, by which titles we understand the minds of some slanderous folks to be offended, we give not our Princes the ministering either of God's Word, or of the Sacraments; the which thing the Injunctions also lately set forth by *Elizabeth* our Queen, do most plainly testify: but that only prerogative, which we see to have been given always to all godly Princes in holy Scriptures by God himself; that is, that they should rule all estates and degrees committed to their charge by God, whether they be ecclesiastical or temporal, and restrain with the civil sword the stubborn and evil doers.

The Bishop of *Rome* hath no jurisdiction in this Realm of *England*.

The Laws of the Realm may

punish Christian men with death for heinous and grievous offences.

It is lawful for Christian men, at the commandment of the Magistrate, to wear weapons, and serve in the wars.

XXXVIII. *Of Christian Men's Goods, which are not common.*

THE riches and goods of Christians are not common, as touching the right, title, and possession of the same, as certain *Anabaptists* do falsely boast. Notwithstanding, every man ought, of such things as he possesseth, liberally to give alms to the poor, according to his ability.

XXXIX. *Of a Christian Man's Oath.*

AS we confess that vain and rash swearing is forbidden Christian men by our Lord Jesus Christ, and *James* his Apostle; so we judge that Christian Religion doth not prohibit, but that a man may swear when the Magistrate requireth, in a cause of faith and charity; so it be done according to the Prophet's teaching, in justice, judgement, and truth.

THE RATIFICATION.

THIS Book of Articles before rehearsed, is again approved, and allowed to be holden and executed within the Realm, by the assent and consent of our Sovereign Lady ELIZABETH, by the Grace of God, of England, France, and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c. Which Articles were deliberately read and confirmed again by the Subscription of the hands of the Archbishops and Bishops of the Upper-House, and by the Subscription of the whole Clergy of the Nether-House in their Convocation, in the Year of our Lord 1571.

A TABLE

OF

KINDRED AND AFFINITY,

WHEREIN WHOSOEVER ARE RELATED ARE FORBIDDEN IN SCRIPTURE AND OUR LAWS TO MARRY TOGETHER.

A Man may not marry his	*A Woman may not marry with her*
1 GRANDMOTHER,	1 GRANDFATHER,
2 Grandfather's Wife,	2 Grandmother's Husband,
3 Wife's Grandmother.	3 Husband's Grandfather.
4 Father's Sister,	4 Father's Brother,
5 Mother's Sister,	5 Mother's Brother,
6 Father's Brother's Wife.	6 Father's Sister's Husband.
7 Mother's Brother's Wife,	7 Mother's Sister's Husband,
8 Wife's Father's Sister,	8 Husband's Father's Brother,
9 Wife's Mother's Sister.	9 Husband's Mother's Brother.
10 Mother,	10 Father,
11 Step-Mother,	11 Step-Father,
12 Wife's Mother.	12 Husband's Father.
13 Daughter,	13 Son,
14 Wife's Daughter,	14 Husband's Son,
15 Son's Wife.	15 Daughter's Husband.
16 Sister,	16 Brother,
17 Wife's Sister,	17 Husband's Brother,
18 Brother's Wife.	18 Sister's Husband.
19 Son's Daughter,	19 Son's Son,
20 Daughter's Daughter,	20 Daughter's Son,
21 Son's Son's Wife.	21 Son's Daughter's Husband.
22 Daughter's Son's Wife,	22 Daughter's Daughter's Hus-
23 Wife's Son's Daughter,	23 Husband's Son's Son, [band,
24 Wife's Daughter's Daughter.	24 Husband's Daughter's Son.
25 Brother's Daughter,	25 Brother's Son,
26 Sister's Daughter,	26 Sister's Son, [band.
27 Brother's Son's Wife.	27 Brother's Daughter's Hus-
28 Sister's Son's Wife,	28 Sister's Daughter's Husband,
29 Wife's Brother's Daughter,	29 Husband's Brother's Son,
30 Wife's Sister's Daughter.	30 Husband's Sister's Son.

A

Companion to the Altar:

Shewing the Nature and Necessity of a

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION,

In Order to our worthy receiving

THE HOLY COMMUNION,

Wherein those Fears and Scruples about

EATING AND DRINKING UNWORTHILY,

AND

INCURRING OUR OWN DAMNATION THEREBY,

Are proved Groundless and Unwarrantable.

Unto which are added,

PRAYERS AND MEDITATIONS

SUITABLE TO A SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION,

According to what the Church of England requires from her Communicants.

I will wash my Hands in Innocency, O Lord, and so will I go to thine Altar. Psl. xxvi. 6.

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PREFACE.

THE usual Reason which Men assign for their not coming so often to the Holy Sacrament as they would do, is their Fear of eating and drinking unworthily, and consequently of incurring their own Damnation thereby. The Design then of this short Discourse is, to shew what that Sacramental Preparation is, which is absolutely necessary to qualify Men for a worthy Participation of the Lord's Supper, so that they may come without the least Fear of eating and drinking Damnation to themselves: For which Purpose I conceive no Rule, no Instruction, more safe, easy, and instructive, than that of our Church Catechism, which I have endeavoured to explain, and to accommodate for the Use and Benefit of the meanest Capacity.

The concluding Part of this Tract contains Prayers *and* Meditations *preparative to a Sacramental Preparation; and though they be few in Number, yet I hope they fully answer all the several Parts of a Communicant's Duty; according to that Rule and Standard which our Church has fixed for our Guide and Companion to the Holy Altar. By the Addition of those Psalms, and proper Lessons annexed to each particular Prayer and Meditation, the Communicant may enlarge his Devotions to what Degree or Length he thinks proper; by which Method as much Matter for* actual Preparation *is given in this little Book, as in any other Discourse on the same Subject.*

COMPANION to the ALTAR.

ALL thoſe bleſſings which we now enjoy, and hope hereafter to receive, from Almighty God, are purchaſed for us, and muſt be obtained through the merits and interceſſion of the holy JESUS, who has "inſtituted and ordained holy "myſteries, as pledges of his love, and for a "continual remembrance of his death and paſ-"ſion, to our great and endleſs comfort," *Luke* xxii. 19. 1 *Cor.* xi. 24. But then we muſt remember, that theſe benefits and bleſſings, which the Son of God has purchaſed for us, are no where promiſed, but upon condition that we ourſelves are firſt duly qualified for them. The ſacrament of the Lord's Supper is a ſolemn ratification of our baptiſmal covenant, wherein God, for his part, hath faithfully promiſed "pardon and re-"miſſion of ſins to all true penitents;" and we for our parts are therein ſolemnly bound to be faithful and obedient unto him, 2 *Tim.* ii. 19. Before then we can promiſe to ourſelves any benefit or advantage from the participation of this ſolemn rite and covenant between God and us, we muſt endeavour (what in us lies) to poſſeſs our ſouls with all thoſe divine qualifications which this ſacrament of the Lord's Supper requires, to render us worthy partakers thereof.

And what thoſe are, it is the deſign of this diſcourſe to enquire; wherein I ſhall endeavour to ſhew what that *preparation* of heart and mind is, which muſt diſpoſe us for a worthy participation of the bleſſed ſacrament: And herein I hope to remove all thoſe fears and ſcruples which ariſe

in our minds about "eating and drinking un-
" worthily, and of incurring our own damna-
" tion thereby," as groundleſs and unwarrant-
able; and to do this, I will take occaſion to ex-
plain that part of our CHURCH CATECHISM, deſignedly intended for our inſtruction, with re-
lation to this duty of a ſacramental preparation; namely,

Q. "What is required of them who come to
" the Lord's Supper?"

A. "To examine themſelves whether they re-
" pent them truly of their former ſins, ſtedfaſtly
" purpoſing to lead a new life, have a lively
" faith in God's mercy through Chriſt, with a
" thankful remembrance of his death, and to be
" in charity with all men." This is that ſacra-
mental preparation which our church (in as few words as poſſible) has provided for our com-
panion or guide to the holy altar. The duty, then, of a devout communicant conſiſts in theſe ſix following particulars: 1. Self-exami-
nation; *to examine themſelves.* 2. Repentance towards God; *whether they repent them truly of their former ſins.* 3. Holy purpoſes or reſo-
lutions of a new life; *ſtedfaſtly purpoſing to lead a new life.* 4. Faith in God's mercy through Chriſt, *to have a lively faith, &c.* 5. A thankful remembrance of his death. 6thly and laſtly, Unfeigned love or charity for all man-
kind, *and to be in charity with all men.*

The firſt part then of a communicant's duty is ſelf-examination: A duty not only enjoined by human authority, but likewiſe commanded by St. *Paul: But let a man examine himſelf, and ſo let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup.* 1 Cor. xi. 28. intimating, that no man ſhould

preſume to eat of that bread, and drink of that cup, without a previous preparation, if he meant to eſcape that ſame judgment or condemnation which theſe *Corinthians* brought upon themſelves by their irreverent, ſinful, and diſorderly behaviour at this ſacrament; and this was the occaſion of St. *Paul's* caution and reproof: *He that eateth and drinketh unworthily*, ſays the Apoſtle, *eateth and drinketh damnation* to himſelf, not diſcerning the Lord's Body*, v. 29.

But that our preparation may be ſo well performed by us, as to prevent the like danger, let us, as the wiſe man adviſeth, *remember the end, and we ſhall never do amiſs*, Eccl. vii. 16. *Firſt*, then, That we may come to this heavenly feaſt holy, and adorned with the wedding-garment, *Matt.* xxii. 11. we muſt ſearch our hearts, and examine our conſciences, not only till we ſee our ſins, but until we hate them; and, inſtead of thoſe filthy rags of our own righteouſneſs, we muſt adorn our minds with pure and pious diſpoſitions; *even that clean linen, the righteouſneſs of the ſaints*, Rev. xix. 8. With theſe ornaments are holy ſouls fitted for the ſociety of that celeſtial company, which are to be met with at this

* This word *damnation* does not ſignify *eternal condemnation*, but, on the contrary, ſome temporal puniſhment, or judgment (as you have it in the margin of your Bible), ſuch as ſickneſs or death, with which the city of *Corinth* was afflicted, for their great abuſe and profanation of this ſolemn inſtitution; ſo that the ſins here reproved (namely, gluttony, drunkenneſs, and faction, ver. 18, 21, 22.) and the damnation here threatened, have no relation to us, unleſs it could be proved that any of us were ever guilty of the ſame wickedneſs with theſe *Corinthians*; which I believe no man ever was, or would be ſuffered to approach the Lord's Table after ſuch a diſorderly manner as they did, if men were ſo lewd and profane.

ſolemnity. *2dly*, Another end or deſign of this ſtrict preparation is; That we may be accepted by God as worthy communicants; that *he who knoweth the ſecrets of all our hearts, neither is there any creature that is not manifeſt to his ſight, but all things are naked and open unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do*, Jer. xvii. 10. Heb. iv. 13. may approve of the ſincerity of our repentance; and the king, who comes in to view the gueſts, *Matt.* xxii. 11. may (though ſtrictly ſpeaking we are not ſo) deem us worthy of his favour and countenance. And how to attain ſo great a bleſſing, the following inſtructions will help and aſſiſt us:

Repentance.

Firſt, We are directed to *repent us truly of all our former ſins*. This is that preparation which Chriſt himſelf requires of us, *Matt.* iii. 2, 3. A duty, you know, which our ſinful lives make always neceſſary for our conſideration, if ever we expect eternal happineſs hereafter, *Luke* xiii. 3. But more eſpecially the dignity of this ſacrament requires that it ſhould be inquired into with more than ordinary care and circumſpection; becauſe without ſincere repentance we cannot expect any benefit or advantage from the death and paſſion of Chriſt, which in this ſacrament we commemorate, and have the merits of it conveyed to us by this ſacred memorial. Suppoſing then that this is ſufficient to convince you of the neceſſity and importance of this duty; that upon it depends our welcome to this heavenly feaſt unto which we are called; I proceed now, in the ſecond place, to inform you, That if your repentance or return to God be real and ſincere, it will produce theſe following *good effects*.

The Nature of a true Repentance.

First, "A ſenſe, a ſorrow, and confeſſion of "all our former ſins. *Secondly*, A "ſtedfaſt purpoſe or reſolution to "lead a new life." Theſe are the genuine fruits of a true repentance, and muſt always accompany our return to God, if we hope to have it effectual to our ſalvation. And,

The Ten Commandments.

FIRST, We muſt labour to get a *ſenſe* or *ſight* of all our former ſins and wickedneſs; this will readily preſent itſelf to us by comparing our lives and actions with the rule or ſtandard of God's word, which we muſt make the meaſure of our examination. St. *Paul* ſhews us, *Rom.* iii. 20. that by the law is the knowledge of ſin; and our own experience will convince us, that there is no way more likely to diſcover our iniquities, and to humble ourſelves for them, than a ſerious application of God's word to our crooked paths: And this duty of ſelf-examination is never more properly applied to, than when we intend to receive the holy communion; for unleſs we ſee the number, and apprehend the heinouſneſs of our offences, and fear the vengeance due unto us for them, we are altogether unfit for the commemoration of his death, *who died for our ſins, and roſe again for our juſtification.* It is the ſenſe and ſight of ſin that muſt ſhew us the need and neceſſity of a glorious Redeemer, and what obligations we are under to bleſs and praiſe God for our ſalvation by his Son JESUS CHRIST. Of ſuch great uſe and advantage is this duty of ſelf-examination, at all times, that *Pythagoras*, in thoſe *golden verſes*, which go under his name, particularly recommends the ſame to his ſcholars. "Every night before they ſlept, he en- "joined them to examine themſelves what good

" they had done, and wherein they had tranſ-
" greſſed. Run over theſe things, ſaid he, and
" if you have done any evil, be troubled; if
" good, rejoice." This courſe, if daily followed, as is ſuggeſted by *Hierocles*, his excellent commentator, perfects the divine image in thoſe that uſe it. *Plutarch*, *Epictetus*, *Seneca*, and the Emperor *Marcus Antoninus*, agree in recommending the ſame practice by their own example; but eſpecially holy *David: I thought on my ways, and turned my feet unto thy teſtimonies*, Pſalm cxix. 59. And this method, no doubt, is an admirable mean to improve us in virtue, and the moſt effectual way to keep our conſciences awake, and to make us ſtand in awe of ourſelves and afraid to ſin, when we know, before hand, that we muſt give ſo ſevere an account to ourſelves of every action. And when we are employing our minds in this duty of ſelf-examination before the communion, or at any other time, we muſt diſcharge it as impartially as is poſſible for us, judging as ſeverely of our own actions, as we would do of our greateſt and worſt enemy; or otherwiſe we ſhould but flatter and deceive ourſelves in a matter of the greateſt weight and importance, namely, the knowing the ſtate and condition of our ſouls: But if our enquiries are juſt and true, we ſhall then plainly diſcover wherein, and how often, we have gone aſtray and done amiſs. We ſhall, by the faithful diſcharge of this duty, bring to light " all our un-
" godly, unjuſt, and uncharitable actions: all
" our vain and filthy ſpeeches, all our wanton,
" proud, and covetous thoughts." Such a ſtrict and impartial examination will diſcover to us that accurſed thing ſin, *Deut.* vii. 26, which

has defiled our nature, made God our enemy, and will exclude us the kingdom of heaven, if not repented of, 1 *Cor.* vi. 9, 10. But by ſuch a ſevere ſcrutiny as this, we ſhall ſoon perceive the number of our tranſgreſſions, what vile wretches and grievous offenders we are, how often we have broken our moſt ſerious vows and reſolutions, eſpecially after the receiving the holy ſacrament, and in times of ſickneſs and diſtreſs: Such a ſight, and ſuch a proſpect of miſery as this, ſhould excite in us a trouble and ſorrow for ſin; eſpecially if we caſt an eye upon the final iſſue and conſequences of it, with reſpect to the world to come. *Upon the ungodly*, ſays holy David, *God will rain ſnares, fire and brimſtone, ſtorm and tempeſt; this ſhall be their portion to drink*, Pſalm xi. 7. *Great plagues remain for the ungodly: Indignation and wrath, tribulation and anguiſh, upon every ſoul of man that doth evil*, Rom. ii. 8, 9. *The wicked ſhall be turned into hell, and all the people that forget God.* Theſe, and many other ſuch like texts of ſcripture, may give us ſome idea or notion of the deplorable condition of the wicked in a future ſtate, and of God's hatred againſt ſin. And is not this then, without multiplying arguments, ſufficient to affect us with great grief and ſorrow, when we conſider that ſo long as we live in a vicious courſe, ſo long are we expoſed to all thoſe plagues and torments which God hath in ſtore for wicked men, and will moſt certainly be their lot and portion, if not prevented by a timely repentance.

The SECOND part of a true repentance is *contrition*, or a ſorrowful bewailing of our own ſinfulneſs in thought, word, and deed. When we call to mind the ſins and follies of our paſt lives,

and the dangers we are likely to fall into, ſurely we cannot be otherwiſe affected than ſenſibly grieved with the thoughts and apprehenſions of our preſent and approaching miſery. The ſorrows of *David*, and the repentance of *Peter*, 2 Sam. xii. Luke xxii. ſhewed themſelves in floods of tears, and were too great to be confined within: But our hearts are generally ſo hard and unrelenting, that we ſin againſt God, and loſe our own ſouls without ſo much as a ſigh or a tear. I know that the tempers of people are different; ſome can ſhed tears upon every ſlight occaſion; and others cannot weep, though their hearts are ready to break for grief: and therefore we are not to judge of the ſincerity of our own or other people's repentance by ſuch ſigns and tokens; nor are tears always neceſſary to repentance, though they very well become us; and the leaſt we can do when we have done amiſs, is to be ſorry for it, and to condemn our folly, and to be full of indignation and diſpleaſure againſt ourſelves. *I will declare my iniquity*, ſaith holy *David, and be ſorry for my ſin*, Pſal. xxxviii. 18. Eſpecially if we have been very wicked, and have multiplied our tranſgreſſions, and have continued long in any evil courſe, have neglected God, and have forgotten him days without number; then the meaſure of our ſorrow muſt bear ſome proportion to the degrees of our ſins; if they have been as *ſcarlet* and *crimſon*, Iſa. i. 18. that is, of a deeper dye than ordinary, then our ſorrow muſt be as deep as our guilt; if not ſo great, we ought to ſhew as much trouble and contrition of ſpirit as to produce in us a penitential confeſſion of all our former ſins.

Which is the THIRD property of a ſincere

repentance. *I will acknowledge my ſin unto thee*, ſays holy *David*, *and mine unrighteouſneſs have I not hid. I ſaid I will confeſs my ſins unto the Lord, and ſo thou forgaveſt the iniquity of my ſin*, Pſal. xxxii. 5. Which confeſſion of ſin muſt not be in general terms only, that we are ſinners with the reſt of mankind, but it muſt be a ſpecial declaration to God of all our moſt heinous ſins, in *thought*, *word*, and *deed*, with their ſeveral aggravations, laying open our caſe to our heavenly phyſician; and this we muſt do to ſhew that we condemn all our former evil and vicious courſes, with a full purpoſe and reſolution of mind (by God's aſſiſtance) never to do the like again. Unleſs this be done, our ſorrow for ſin, and the confeſſion of our wickedneſs, can never profit us in the ſight of God, if it be not joined with a firm reſolution of leading a new life:

Which is the FOURTH and moſt eſſential part of a ſincere repentance, and the only condition of finding mercy with God. *He that covereth his ſins ſhall not proſper; but whoſo confeſſeth and forſaketh them ſhall have mercy*, Prov. xxviii. 13. *Let the wicked man forſake his ways, and the unrighteous man his thoughts, and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him, and to our God, and he will abundantly pardon*, Iſa. lv. 7. *I tell you nay*, ſaith Chriſt, *but except ye repent, ye ſhall all likewiſe periſh*, Luke xiii. 3. *Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your ſins may be blotted out.* Acts iii. 19. Thoſe preceding parts of repentance before mentioned, are only preparative to this; that which muſt complete and finiſh the work of a new convert is, to become a *new creature*, "to turn from

" our evil ways, and to break off our ſins by " righteouſneſs." This certainly muſt be the deſire and intention of all communicants, if they hope or expect any benefit or advantage from this ſolemn rite or covenant; for he that comes with a deſign or intention of continuing in his former ſins, comes ſomewhat like unto *Judas*, that came and received, and at the ſame time continued his reſolution of betraying his Maſter. That which makes a man abſolutely unfit to receive the holy ſacrament, is the living in the conſtant and habitual practice of any known ſin, without the leaſt deſire or intention of repentance or amendment. Such a man's approach to the holy table, no doubt, is to " eat and drink his own " damnation," ſince it is a plain mocking of God, and a great contempt and abuſe of his divine authority. We muſt therefore (by the help and aſſiſtance of God's grace) " reſolve to lead a new " life, following the commandments of God," or otherwiſe our former examinations will appear but ſlight and ſuperficial, our ſight and ſenſe of ſin trivial and indifferent, our ſorrow and contrition of ſpirit forced and hypocritical, and our confeſſions odious and formal. Therefore examine well the ſincerity of your repentance and reſolutions, that you neither deceive God nor yourſelves: him you cannot, becauſe he is *a ſearcher of the heart, and a diſcerner of the thoughts*, nor will he accept of any thing which is not unfeigned.

Not that we are to ſuppoſe that this ſacrament of the Lord's-ſupper doth require perfect obedience in all our addreſſes to the holy altar, or that none muſt come but ſuch as are in a ſinleſs ſtate of perfection: No; this were impoſſible, becauſe

" there is no man which liveth and ſinneth not, " for who can ſay, I have made my heart clean, I " am pure from my ſin?" The ſacrament of the Lord's ſupper is not a converting, but a confirming ordinance, intended to preſerve and increaſe that ſpiritual *life and grace* which we received at our baptiſm: So that when we come to the holy communion, we come thither for freſh ſupplies of grace and goodneſs, " for the ſtrengthening " and refreſhing of our ſouls in all holineſs and " virtue." As our natural bodies are fed and nouriſhed with thoſe elements of bread and wine, the ſame effect is wrought in the ſoul, in the inward man, by theſe holy myſteries, as in the outward man by bread and wine; bread being the ſtaff of life, and wine the moſt ſovereign cordial (when taken in due proportion) to cheer and rejoice the heart. And thus our ſouls, by this ſacrament, are fortified and ſtrengthened with grace, wiſdom, courage, and all other ſpiritual gifts, to keep us through faith unto ſalvation. Both the comfort and benefit of it are great; the comfort of it, becauſe it does not only repreſent to us the exceeding love of our Saviour, in giving his body to be broken, and his blood to be ſhed for us: but it likewiſe ſeals to us all thoſe bleſſings and benefits which are purchaſed and procured for us by his death and paſſion; namely, the pardon of ſin, and power againſt it. The benefit of frequent communion is alſo of great advantage, becauſe hereby we are confirmed in all grace and goodneſs, and our reſolutions to live in obedience and conformity to God's laws are ſtrengthened; and the grace of God's holy ſpirit, to do his will, is hereby conveyed to us: It is the ſovereign remedy againſt all temp-

tations, by mortifying our paſſions, and by ſpiritualizing our affections: In a word, it is the likelieſt method to make our bodies the temples of the Holy Ghoſt, and to prepare our ſouls for the enjoyment of God to all eternity.

And if at any time, through ignorance, ſurpriſe, or the violence of any other temptation, we ſhould fall into thoſe very ſins which we have repented of, and vowed againſt when we were at the laſt ſacrament, yet theſe relapſes ſhould not make us afraid of coming again, ſince we have always the benefit of repentance allowed us: If after a relapſe we repent, and renew our reſolutions with a hearty grief and contrition of ſpirit, we are made whole as before. *If the wicked*, ſaith God, *will turn from all his ſins that he hath committed, all his tranſgreſſions that he hath committed, they ſhall not be mentioned unto him*, Ezek. xviii. 21, 22. *Sin no more*, ſays our Saviour to the woman taken in adultery, *and I will not condemn thee*, John viii. 11. It is not the commiſſion of this or that great ſin that will utterly exclude us from God's mercy and forgiveneſs; for then, indeed, no perſon could eſcape damnation, becauſe *there is not a juſt man upon earth that doeth good, and ſinneth not*, Eccleſ. vii. 20. But it is our living and dying without repentance and amendment, that brings God's wrath and vengeance upon us. His mercies are not limited; and he will not only pardon us once or twice, but always upon our repentance and return to him. No time, no age or ſeaſon, does he except againſt; but, *whenever the wicked man turneth away from his wickedneſs that he hath committed, and doth that which is lawful and right, he ſhall ſave his ſoul alive*, Ezek. xviii. 27. Nei-

ther is there any ſin, though never ſo vile and heinous in its own nature, but ſhall be remitted and forgiven, unleſs it be that againſt the Holy Ghoſt. *All manner of ſins and blaſphemy ſhall be forgiven unto men, but the blaſphemy againſt the Holy Ghoſt ſhall not be forgiven,* Mat. xii. 31, 32. And conſequently this ſin of eating and drinking unworthily, in the worſt ſenſe, cannot be a damning ſin, becauſe God in the goſpel (for Chriſt's ſake) hath promiſed to forgive all our ſins, upon our repentance, and therefore this of unworthily receiving among the reſt.

Some people, I remember, have been very much concerned and diſcompoſed at their devotions, upon the repetition of ſome few expreſſions, contained in the laſt exhortation to the communion; namely, "Of being guilty of the body and "blood of Chriſt our Saviour,—Of eating and "drinking our own damnation,—not conſider-"ing the Lord's Body,—Kindling God's wrath "againſt us,—Provoking him to plague us with "divers diſeaſes, and ſundry kinds of death." Theſe are hard ſayings, and ſome of them too hard to be underſtood: But, however, they are all avoided and eſcaped by coming worthily, that is, with *faith* and *repentance:* Therefore let not theſe terrible expreſſions trouble you, or detain you from the holy communion. Repent and believe, and you are ſafe and ſecure from falling into any of thoſe dangers which theſe ſentences may ſeem to threaten you with. So that the want of preparation, as ſome men have alledged, and in the ſenſe they generally take it, can never be a ſufficient plea or pretence for their not coming to the holy communion; becauſe, after our beſt and ſtricteſt endeavours to

prepare ourſelves, we profeſs, before God and the congregation, "That we do not come to "this heavenly table truſting in our own righte-"ouſneſs, but in his manifold and great mer-"cies." By theſe we are invited to come; and in the mercy of God, through Chriſt, all of us muſt flee and take ſanctuary in; who has promiſed that *he will in no wiſe caſt out thoſe who come unto him*, John vi. 37. *A broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not deſpiſe*, Pſalm li. 17. There is nothing dreadful in this ſacrament, but to the wilful, impenitent, and perſevering ſinner, whoſe condition is dreadful, and every page in ſcripture is terrible againſt ſuch, whether they come, or not; but to the penitent and humble ſoul, nothing is diſmal or affrighting in this holy feaſt, for there are none condemned for unworthily receiving, but ſuch as deſerve it for continuing in their iniquities; and this impenitence renders even their prayers an "abomination to the Lord." Though they never partake of the body and blood of Chriſt, they are in equal danger with thoſe who eat and drink unworthily; nay, I might ſay in greater, becauſe the latter uſe the means in obedience to our Saviour's command, and the former wilfully neglect that which would prevent their damnation, if rightly conſidered and timely applied to. The ſureſt way, I ſay, to prevent their damnation, is, to receive the ſacrament more frequently than men uſually do; that by a conſtant participation of this ſpiritual food of the living bread which comes down from heaven, their ſouls may be nouriſhed in all goodneſs, and new ſupplies of God's grace and holy ſpirit may be continually derived to them for the purifying of their hearts, and to

enable them to run the ways of God's commandments with more conſtancy and delight than they did before. So that the true conſequence of eating and drinking unworthily, ſhould rather excite our care and diligence in this duty, than delude us with falſe reaſonings, to ſuch a neglect as will certainly increaſe our damnation; it being certain that God will never caſt any man into eternal flames for ſtriving to do his duty as well as he can. *If there be firſt a willing mind*, ſaith the apoſtle, *it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not*, 2 Cor. viii. 12. Neither ought we to think ſo unworthily of the Son of God, who came into the world *to ſave ſinners*, that he would inſtitute this ordinance to be a ſnare to entangle our ſouls with. It was not ordained for angels, or for glorified ſaints, but for humble and penitent ſinners to bring them home to God, it being a ſeal of their pardon, and a refreſhing declaration of our heavenly Father's readineſs to forgive the chiefeſt of ſinners for Jeſus's ſake, who graciouſly calls upon all who are *wearied and oppreſſed with the guilt and burthen of their ſins, to come to him, and he will refreſh them*, Matt. xi. 28. *Chriſt came not to call the righteous, but ſinners to repentance*, Matt. ix. 13. And conſequently ſuch as account themſelves moſt unworthy, are thoſe very perſons whom Chriſt doth here call and invite to this ſacrament, when deeply ſenſible of their unworthineſs. Were we not ſinners, were we not *conceived and born in ſin*, we ſhould not need ſuch means and inſtruments of grace as ſacraments are; but, "being by nature born in ſin, and the "children of wrath, we are hereby made the "children of grace, and inheritors of the king-"dom of heaven." *They that are whole*, ſaith

Chriſt, *have no need of a phyſician, but they that are ſick.* This being the caſe of all mankind with reſpect to their ſpiritual life, there is no other way to free ourſelves from this death of ſin, but by ſpeedily applying ourſelves to our heavenly Phyſician, *who came into the world to ſeek and to ſave thoſe that are loſt*, and ready to periſh; and the very ſenſe of our own unworthineſs is, of all other arguments, the beſt qualification to recommend us to God's favour and mercy, ſince we know that he reſiſteth the proud and preſumptuous ſinner, but never denies his grace and favour to the humble and meek. As often then as we come to the holy communion with ſuch an honeſt and true heart as to exerciſe our "repentance towards God, our faith, "and hope of his mercy, through Chriſt, for the "forgiveneſs of our ſins, and our love and cha-"rity for all mankind;" ſuch a temper and reſolution of mind as this, will, doubtleſs, render us worthy partakers of theſe holy myſteries, and prevent us "eating and drinking damnation to ourſelves." Nay, I further add, that any perſon thus diſpoſed or qualified, may come (if it ſhould be required) at an hour's warning, as ſafely as he may come to church and ſay his prayers, or hear a ſermon. The dueneſs of preparation doth not ſo much depend upon our ſetting aſide ſo many extraordinary days for the forcing ourſelves into a religious poſture of mind, as upon the plain, natural frame and diſpoſition of our ſouls, as they conſtantly ſtand inclined to virtue and goodneſs through the general courſe of our lives. From whence I infer, that a multitude of buſineſs, or a man's being deeply engaged in the public affairs of this world, cannot be any juſt plea or

pretence for his not coming to the holy communion, becauſe all buſineſs is conſiſtent with the duties of religion, provided we govern our affairs by chriſtian principles: For though ſuch men have not leiſure for ſo much actual preparation, yet they may have that habitual preparation, upon which the great ſtreſs ought to be laid in this matter: Nay, even the conſcientious diſcharge of a man's duty in his buſineſs, may be one of the beſt qualifications to recommend him to God, ſince every man ſerves God when he follows his calling with diligence, and obſerves juſtice and honeſty in all his dealings; and conſequently the greater danger and temptation he is expoſed to through the multiplicity of buſineſs, the more need hath he of God's grace and aſſiſtance, which are abundantly communicated to us in this holy ordinance: So that men of buſineſs, if they have any ſerious thoughts of another world, ought more eſpecially to lay hold on ſuch opportunities which ſecure the ſalvation of their ſouls; for as they who have leiſure ought to receive conſtantly, as the beſt improvement of their time; ſo they that are engaged in many worldly affairs, ought to come the oftener to the holy communion, and learn how to ſanctify their employments. But to proceed:

The other branch of a communicant's duty is, to "examine whether he hath a lively faith "in God's mercy through Chriſt." *Examine yourſelves, whether ye be in the faith*, 2 Cor. xiii. 5; this ſacrament of the Lord's ſupper being only appointed for ſuch believers as own their baptiſm, and profeſs the faith of Chriſt crucified, and underſtand the fundamental articles of the Chriſtian religion contained in the Apoſtle's

creed, and alſo the end and deſign of this holy inſtitution. The benefits of our Saviour's death and paſſion in this ſacrament are indeed freely offered unto all, but only effectually to believers. *As many as received him, to them gave he power to become the ſons of God, even to them that believe in his name,* John i. 12. *And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jeſus Chriſt whom thou haſt ſent,* John xvii. 3. All that Chriſt hath done and ſuffered for us men and our ſalvation, can never profit us, unleſs we have faith to believe it: That which muſt render the benefits and bleſſings of the goſpel effectual to our ſalvation is our *faith* in Chriſt. *Verily I ſay unto you,* ſaith our Saviour, *he that heareth my words, and believeth on him that ſent me, hath everlaſting life, and ſhall not come into condemnation, but is paſſed from death unto life,* John v. 24. The ancient churches accounted thoſe only *faithful* that had received the Lord's ſupper; and the *Germans* allowed none to come unto their ſacrifices who had loſt their ſhields; nor does our own church allow that any of us ſhould come to this chriſtian ſacrifice without the ſhield of faith. "Draw near "with faith," ſays the prieſt, "and take this "holy ſacrament to your comfort." And this faith hath God's mercy, through Chriſt, for its object, as the fountain and foundation of all thoſe infinite bleſſings and comforts which we gain by his manifeſtation in the fleſh; and if we enquire into the cauſe and reaſon of ſo much mercy and goodneſs to mankind, no other can be given, but *the riches of his mercy,* Eph. ii. 4. And if we further enquire how this mercy becomes ours, the anſwer is plain—it was through

Chriſt, by whom all the bleſſings of this life, and thoſe of a better, are purchaſed for us, and muſt be obtained through the merits and interceſſion of the holy Jeſus. By him we were redeemed, "and, according to the riches of his "grace, we have obtained remiſſion of our ſins, "and through him, at laſt, we ſhall be glorified."

And to this *faith* we muſt join "a thankful "remembrance of his death, and of thoſe bene-"fits which we receive thereby." *Our gracious and merciful Lord*, ſays holy *David*, *hath ſo done his marvellous works, that they ought to be had in remembrance*, Pſalm cxi. 4. But eſpecially this work of our redemption by Jeſus Chriſt, which, to forget, were an ingratitude baſer and viler than ever heathens or publicans, the very worſt of people among the Jews, were known to be guilty of toward their benefactors, Matt. v. 46. *Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and ſent his Son to be the propitiation for our ſins*, 1 John iv. 10. This is a mercy far above all other mercies; nay, it is even this which ſweetens all other mercies to us. Had there been no redemption, our creation had only made us capable of endleſs torments; and it had been better for us never to have been born, than to be born to inevitable ruin: which muſt have been our lot and portion, had not "the Son of God, by his own oblation of him-"ſelf, once ſuffered upon the croſs, made a full, "perfect, and ſufficient ſacrifice and ſatisfaction "to God for the ſins of the whole world." The conſequences of this redemption are ſo infinitely great and valuable, that it as much ſurpaſſes our underſtanding as it does our merits. We are to declare and publiſh to all the world, what God

hath done to ſave mankind from that damnation which they had deſerved, and to reſtore us again to that happineſs and glory which we could never expect or hope to enjoy, had not Chriſt died for us. *O come hither and hearken, all ye that fear God, and I will tell you what he hath done for my ſoul*, Pſalm lxvi. 16. *Praiſe the Lord, O my ſoul, and all that is within me, praiſe his holy name: Praiſe the Lord, O my ſoul, and forget not all his benefits; who forgiveth all thy ſins, and healeth all thy infirmities; who ſaveth thy life from deſtruction, and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindneſs*, Pſalm ciii. 1, 2, 3, 4. With what joy and thankfulneſs then ſhould every good chriſtian commemorate this exceeding love of God, in the ſalvation of ſinners by Jeſus Chriſt! This was the proper end and deſign of this inſtitution, to perpetuate this wonderful love of Chriſt in laying down his life for us. *Do this in remembrance of me*, ſaith our Saviour, a little before his crucifixion; which being a ſolemn command of "our Maſter and only Saviour thus dying for us," we cannot refuſe obedience hereunto, without being guilty of the moſt horrible ingratitude and contempt of his divine authority. He hath appointed it for a ſolemn commemoration of his great love to us, in laying down his life for us men, and for our ſalvation: and therefore he commands us to do it *in remembrance of him:* And St. *Paul* tells us, that *as often as we eat this bread, and drink this cup, we do ſhew forth the Lord's death till he come.* As for thoſe men then amongſt us, who profeſs themſelves Chriſtians, and hope for ſalvation by Jeſus Chriſt, not to pay obedience

Our obligations to a frequent communion.

to this his command, is a downright affront to his ſacred Majeſty; and he may juſtly upbraid us Chriſtians, as he did once the Jews, *Why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I ſay?* How unworthy are we of that ſalvation which he hath wrought for us, if we deny him ſo ſmall a favour, ſuch a reaſonable requeſt, as to commemorate his death and bitter paſſion once a month, or at leaſt thrice a year, "who "did humble himſelf even to the death of the "croſs, for us miſerable ſinners: who lay in "darkneſs and in the ſhadow of death; that he "might make us the children of God, and exalt "us to everlaſting life." In this ſacrament of the Lord's ſupper we have the pardon and remiſſion of all our ſins, the grace and aſſiſtance of God's holy ſpirit, and the hopes of eternal life and happineſs, freely offered unto us: And therefore had we no love, no regard, or reverence, to the dying words of our crucified Saviour, yet ſurely the conſideration of our own preſent and future advantage might prevail with us to be more frequent at the Lord's table than we uſually are.

Hitherto a communicant has been directed to ſet his heart right towards God; but this is not all, he muſt proceed farther, and enquire how it ſtands towards his neighbour, ſince we are expreſsly forbidden, *Matt.* v. 23, 24, to offer up any gift or oblation to God, if our hearts are leavened with malice, hatred, or revenge. "If "thou bring thy gift unto the altar, and there "remembereſt that thy brother hath aught "againſt thee, leave there thy gift before the "altar and go thy way, firſt be reconciled to "thy brother, and then come and offer thy

"gift." Here you see that Christ prefers *mercy* before *sacrifice*. And it is generally agreed on by the ancient fathers, that these words of our Saviour do directly point at this sacrament, on purpose to oblige all communicants to forgive all manner of injuries, "before they presume to "eat of that bread, or to drink of that cup." And it is expressly said, *Matt.* vi. 14, 15, that our prayers are not accepted, nor our pardon sealed in heaven, until such time as we *forgive men their trespasses*; and, to be sure, we can never be welcome or worthy guests at this heavenly feast, where Jesus the Saviour of penitents and the prince of peace is spiritually present, unless our repentance reconcile us to God, and our charity to all mankind.

And this charity of the heart, in forgiving injuries, must likewise shew itself by the hand, in relieving the wants and necessities of the poor. We read, that when this sacrament was administered in the Apostles' days, large collections of monies were then gathered for the maintenance of the poor clergy and laity, *Acts* ii. 44. 45, 46, and 1 *Cor.* xvi. 1. And *Theodoret* observes, that *Theodosius* the emperor, when his time came to offer, arose, and presented his oblations with his own hands. It was not determined how much every man should give, but all men were exhorted and enjoined to offer something, according to their ability; which, if any neglected, the fathers censured them as unworthy communicants: and, to be sure, nothing within our power can so effectually recommend our prayers and devotions as this of charity; it being well observed, *Matt.* vi. that our Saviour hath inclosed *alms* between *prayer* and *fasting*.

and therefore they are called its two wings, without which it will never fly so high as the throne of God. While *Cornelius* was fasting and praying, we read that an angel from heaven was dispatched to him with this happy message: *Thy prayers, and thine alms, are come up for a memorial before God*, Acts x. 4. *He that hath pity upon the poor, lendeth unto the Lord: and that which he hath given will he pay him again*, Prov. xix. 17. *Charge them that are rich in this world,—that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate, laying up in store for themselves a good foundation, against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life*, 1 Tim. vi. 17, 18, 19. *Do ye not know that they who minister about holy things, live of the sacrifice, and they who wait at the altar, are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord also ordained, that they who preach the gospel should live of the gospel*, 1 Cor. ix. 13, 14. *If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great thing if we shall reap your worldly things?* ver. 11. But we may justly complain with *Basil*, that we know some who will "fast and "pray, sigh and groan, yea, and "do all acts of religion which cost "them nothing, but will not give "one farthing to the poor: What benefit is "there," saith he, "of all the rest of their de-"votions?"

Basil. *Homil. in* Matt. xix.

And when the communicant has thus far advanced towards the altar, in his *examination*, *repentance*, &c. he must not forget another excellent preparative belonging to this duty of communicating worthily, which, although it be not mentioned in our church catechism, yet it is al-

ways implied as a neceſſary part of our ſacramental preparation, that is, *prayer*, private and public; a duty upon which all our preſent and future bleſſings depend, *Matt.* vii. 7, 8, and 21, 22. And ſo near a relation hath this duty of prayer with this ſacrament, that all thoſe bleſſings therein contained and promiſed, are only in return to our prayers; and no doubt but that man, who makes a conſcientious practice of this duty in his cloſet, and at church, can never be unprepared for this ſacrament, nor want a title to God's peculiar favour and bleſſing: *For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers*, 1 Pet. iii. 12. The conſtant exerciſe of *prayer* is the beſt method to get the maſtery over all our evil inclinations and corrupt affections, and to overcome our vicious habits: It preſerves a lively ſenſe of God and religion in our minds, and fortifies us againſt thoſe temptations that aſſault us: it ſpiritualiſes our nature, raiſes our ſouls above this world, and ſupports us under the troubles and calamities of this life, by ſanctifying ſuch afflictions: it leads us gradually to the perfection of a chriſtian life, and preſerves that union between God and our ſouls, which feeds our ſpiritual life with grace and goodneſs: without it, we in vain pretend to diſcharge thoſe chriſtian duties incumbent on us, or to proſper in our temporal affairs, which muſt have God's bleſſing to crown them with ſucceſs. And as prayer in general has theſe great bleſſings and advantages attending it, ſo give me leave to ſuggeſt to you under this head, that thoſe public prayers and devotions, which we offer unto God in our churches, are not only more acceptable to him,

but alſo much more edifying and advantageous to ourſelves: They cannot but be more acceptable to God, becauſe thereby his honour and glory is much more conſiderably advanced and maintained in the world, than by our private devotions: by theſe outward *ſigns* and *tokens* we publicly declare to all the world that inward regard and eſteem which we have for his divine perfections and goodneſs: Hereby we *let our light ſo ſhine before men, that they may ſee our good works, and glorify our Father which is in heaven*, Matt. v. 16. There is no duty in ſcripture more frequently commanded, none more earneſtly preſſed upon us, than this of public prayer. We have the example of all good men in all ages for it, and of Chriſt himſelf, who was daily in the temple and in the ſynagogues, and, no queſtion, frequented thoſe places at the uſual hours of prayer, becauſe then he had the faireſt opportunity, from thoſe public aſſemblies, to inſtruct, and to exhort to *faith* and *repentance*. 2*dly*. We may expect greater bleſſings and ſucceſs to our requeſts and deſires, when we join in the public prayers of our church, than from private, becauſe our Saviour has, in a ſpecial manner, promiſed in ſuch aſſemblies his immediate preſence, that, "when two or three are "gathered together in his name, there will he "be in the midſt of them;" which he hath no where ſaid of private prayer, though both are very good, nay, both are abſolutely neceſſary for the beginning and ending of a chriſtian life; and it is a very bad ſign of ſome evil principle or other, for any man to be much a ſtranger to the houſe of prayer, which is one of the greateſt bleſſings and privileges (if we know how to va-

lue the ſame) that we can have in this world, and has always been accounted ſuch among all wiſe and good men. It is certain that the *Turks*, whom we call infidels, go to their public devotions five times every day; and ſhall not they riſe in judgment againſt us Chriſtians, who cannot afford to go once or twice a day to God's houſe, when we have both leiſure and opportunity! If men ſhall be judged for every idle word, to be ſure, they ſhall not paſs unpuniſhed for all the neglects and omiſſions of their duty of this nature. But to proceed:

Beſides this duty of *fervent prayer*, the communicant ſhould ſpend ſome portion of time in reading and meditation, to raiſe his ſoul into a devout and heavenly temper: The proper office of reading is to gain ſpiritual food and ſuſtenance, and of meditation to digeſt it. Thoſe divine ſubjects moſt proper for our ſerious contemplation on this ſolemn occaſion, I think, are "our Saviour's ſermon on the mount; the love "of God in the ſalvation of ſinners, through "Jeſus Chriſt; repentance, faith, charity; death, "and judgment; the happy condition of a future "ſtate of bleſſedneſs, and the miſerable condi-"tion of the damned in hell." Theſe, and the like, as they offer themſelves unto you, ſhould be meditated upon, until ſome ſorrow of mind, ſome ardour of devotion, ſome act of faith, ſome flame of love and charity, ariſe in your ſouls.

Thus have I briefly repreſented to you, both the nature and neceſſity of a *ſacramental preparation*, which in a great meaſure contains the whole duty of a Chriſtian's life: namely, "re-"pentance towards God, faith towards our Lord "Jeſus Chriſt, and charity towards our neigh-

"bour." And I alſo hope, whoſoever among us will but endeavour to prepare themſelves for the holy communion, according to the preceding directions, may (by the help of God) upon all occaſions come to the Lord's table, without the leaſt fear or danger of "eating and "drinking damnation to themſelves."

Some people may, perhaps, cenſure this diſcourſe, as giving too great liberty and encouragement to approach the Lord's table with leſs preparation than otherwiſe men would venture to do. But I know no ground or reaſon for any ſuch ſuggeſtion, if they impartially conſider the excellence and perfection of that guide and companion I have followed throughout the whole: And to repreſent this duty of frequent communion otherwiſe than what the church requires, is an injury both to God and to ourſelves: And I dare affirm, that no part of divine worſhip has ſuffered more on this account, than that of the holy communion: thouſands of people not daring, in all their life-time, (though very good livers,) to partake of the Lord's ſupper, for fear of eating and drinking their own damnation.

The Church Catechiſm.

PRAYERS AND MEDITATIONS

SUITABLE TO A

Sacramental Preparation,

ACCORDING TO

What the Church of *England* requires from her Communicants.

A Prayer to God for his gracious Aſſiſtance and Direction in our Sacramental Preparation.

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth! heaven and earth are full of thy majeſty and of thy glory: I, the unworthieſt of all creatures, do here, in all humility of ſoul and body, proſtrate myſelf before thee, acknowledging my own weakneſs and inſufficiency to do any thing that is good or well-pleaſing in thy ſight; and therefore humbly implore the ſpecial influence of thy grace and Holy Spirit, to further theſe my endeavours for a worthy participation of the holy communion of the body and blood of Chriſt, which he has commanded me to do in remembrance of him, and of thoſe benefits which we receive thereby. Teach me, O Lord, the right way, and lead me in the paths of holy preparation, that I may be received as a worthy and welcome gueſt at this thy heavenly table. Poſſeſs my mind with a true ſenſe of the greatneſs of this myſtery, and the excellency of thy mercy in preparing this table for our ſpiritual food: inſpire my ſoul with pure and pious diſ-

poſitions; and, inſtead of the filthy rags of my own righteouſneſs, clothe me with the righteouſneſs of the ſaints, that my heart may be a clean, though homely, receptacle for my Saviour, and one day fitted for the bleſſed ſociety of ſaints and angels in heaven, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

Our Father, &c. See *Pſal.* xxiii. xxvi. cxi.

A Prayer for the Gift and Grace of Repentance.

"ALMIGHTY and eternal Lord God, who "art of purer eyes than to behold ini-"quity, and haſt more eſpecially enjoined all "thoſe who compaſs thine altar, to waſh their "hands in innocency," vouchſafe me unfeigned repentance for my paſt ſins, a hearty ſorrow and contrition of ſpirit to lament my ſinfulneſs, and moſt firm and ſtedfaſt purpoſes to lead a new life. It is the voice of thy wondrous goodneſs and mercy, that if "the wicked ſhall forſake his "ways, and the unrighteous man his thoughts, "thou wilt have mercy upon him, and abun-"dantly pardon him." O let thy goodneſs (whereof I have had ſo great a ſhare, and plentiful experience) *lead me to repentance, not to be repented of*, that I may be a fit gueſt at thy Son's table. "Have mercy upon me, O Lord, and "according to the multitude of thy tender mer-"cies, blot out all my tranſgreſſions for thy "mercy's ſake in Chriſt Jeſus, the ſon of thy "love, whom thou haſt ſet forth to be the pro-"pitiation for our ſins." Grant this, O merciful Father, for the ſake of my bleſſed Saviour and Redeemer. *Amen.*

See *Pſalm* vi. xxv. xxxii. xxxviii.

A Prayer before Self-Examination.

"O Lord, thou that art the ſearcher of all "our hearts, and a diſcerner of the very "thoughts, and in whoſe ſight all things are "naked and open," be pleaſed to impart a ray of thy heavenly light, to diſcover all the ſins and infirmities of my paſt life, and whatſoever elſe thou knoweſt wherein I have done amiſs, that henceforward no ſecret ſin may lie undiſcovered and corrupted in my ſoul; that by examining my life and converſation by thy law, the rule and meaſure of my duty, I may underſtand the true ſtate and condition of my ſoul, and, from a juſt ſenſe and ſight of all my tranſgreſſions, through the aſſiſtance of thy grace and heavenly benediction, I may be enabled to reform my life, and to turn my feet unto thy teſtimonies; ſo faithfully to ſearch and examine my own conſcience, that I may come holy and clean to thy heavenly feaſt, and be received as a worthy partaker of that holy banquet which thou haſt called me to. Grant this for thy mercy's ſake in Chriſt Jeſus. *Amen.*

See *Pſalm* cxxxix.

Brief Heads of Self-Examination upon each Commandment.

COMMANDMENT I.

THOUGH I have not atheiſtically denied the being of a God, or wickedly renounced him by apoſtacy, yet have I not loved, deſired, and delighted in other things more than in God? Or have I not feared men, and dreaded the diſpleaſure of the world more than of God?

Or, have I not truſted in men, and relied upon the world, more than upon God? Have I not deſpaired of God's mercy? Or, by preſuming too much upon it, encouraged myſelf in ſin? Have I not been unthankful for mercies received? Or, have I not aſcribed the glory and honour of what I now enjoy to myſelf more than to God? (Say) *God be merciful to me a ſinner, and lay not this (or theſe) ſins to my charge.* [Repeat the ſame at the end of every commandment.]

II. Though I have not worſhipped God by images, yet have I not entertained groſs and falſe conceptions of him? Or, have I not wilfully omitted coming to church, or to the public prayers, when I had no juſt occaſion to hinder me? Or, have I not rudely, irreverently, or wantonly behaved myſelf during the time of divine ſervice? Or, have I not wilfully refuſed to come to the Lord's Supper, when I have been called to it? Or, have I not raſhly and unadviſedly received the Sacrament without due preparation? Or, have I not broken my vows and reſolutions which I then made?

III. If I have not openly blaſphemed the name of God, yet have I not lightly or irreverently ſpoken of him? Or, have I not profanely jeſted upon, or abuſed his holy places or perſons, or any thing elſe dedicated to his ſervice? Or, have I not taken God's name in vain, by common ſwearing and curſing? Or, have I not taken falſe and unlawful oaths? Or, have I not broken my own vows and reſolutions, eſpecially my baptiſmal?

IV. Have I not neglected the worſhip of God on his ſabbaths? Have I not ſpent part thereof in vain ſports, idle diſcourſes, viſits, and many

other unneceſſary affairs? Or, have I not ſuffered others to profane the ſabbath, when it was in my power to reſtrain them from ſo doing?

V. Have I not been ſtubborn, irreverent, and undutiful towards my parents, rejecting their counſels, deſpiſing their government, and coveting their eſtates before their death? Have I contributed towards their neceſſities when they were in want, and I had it in my power to help them? Or, have I not been diſloyal to my prince, ſtubborn and unfaithful to my maſter, refractory and unthankful to my miniſter, peeviſh and unkind to my friend and companion?

VI. If I have not actually taken away the life of any perſon, yet have I not made my neighbour's life grievous by oppreſſion, rage, and violence againſt him? Or, have I not by fighting or quarrelling wounded his perſon? Or, have I not tempted him, by any other vice or intemperance, to deſtroy his health, and ſo ſhorten his days? Or, have I not by falſe or contumelious ſpeeches wounded his good name and reputation? Or, have I not, by my own luxury and intemperance in eating and drinking, been acceſſary to my own death?

VII. If I have eſcaped the groſſer acts of adultery and fornication, yet have I not conceived luſt in my heart, and neglected the means to preſerve my own and others' chaſtity? Or, have I not by gluttony and drunkenneſs, or by any impure thoughts and words, defiled my ſoul? Or, have I not accuſtomed myſelf to filthy talking, jeſting, and unchaſte behaviour in common converſation?

VIII. If I have not been guilty of common and public ſtealing, yet have I been true and

juſt in all my dealings? Or, have I not contracted debts, when I was conſcious to myſelf that I was not able to pay, or make reſtitution? Or, have I not waſted my own or others' eſtates by riotous living? Or, have I not by violence or oppreſſion exacted of my inferiors, or by unlawful uſury taken advantage of their neceſſities?

IX. If I have not before the magiſtrate ſworn falſely againſt any man, yet have I not accuſtomed myſelf to lying and ſlandering? Or, have I not accuſed my neighbour unjuſtly? Or, have I not concealed the truth of another, when juſtice and charity obliged me to give evidence of it? Or, have I not unjuſtly fought to uphold my own credit, or to blaſt any other perſon's?

X. Have I not ſecretly complained againſt the providence of God, as if others had too much, and I too little? Or, have I not by unlawful means endeavoured to deprive others of their goods and proſperity? Or, have I laboured truly and faithfully to get my own living, and been content with that ſtate of life unto which it hath pleaſed God to call me?

A penitential Confeſſion of Sins; with an humble Supplication for Mercy and Forgiveneſs.

ALMIGHTY and everlaſting God, who hateſt nothing that thou haſt made, and doſt forgive the ſins of all them that are penitent; create and make in me a new and contrite heart, that I, worthily lamenting my ſins, and acknowledging my wretchedneſs, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remiſſion and forgiveneſs, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

Here call to mind all your moſt grievous ſins.

See *Pſalm* vi. xxxii. xxxviii. li.

An Act of Contrition.

"FATHER, I have ſinned againſt heaven, "and before thee, and am no more wor- "thy to be called thy ſon. Wo is me, O "Lord, who was conceived and born in ſin:" the thoughts of my heart were inclined unto evil from my youth. Wo is me that I have ſinned againſt thee, my Creator and kind benefactor. Lord, I have done evil continually in thy ſight, and my life hath been little elſe than one continual courſe of impiety, unthankfulneſs, and of unworthy returns for all thy goodneſs and loving-kindneſs to me. Wo is me that I ſhould thus requite the Lord. O that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for my ſin! O gracious Lord, look on me as thou didſt on the apoſtle St. *Peter*, and let thy compaſſionate look ſo pierce my ſtony heart, that I may weep bitterly for my ſins, and may have that *godly ſorrow which worketh repentance unto ſalvation not to be repented of:* for Jeſus's ſake. *Amen.*

See *Pſalm* xxv. xxxii. xxxviii.

A Reſolution to lead a new Life.

AND now, O Lord, I do not only with great ſhame and confuſion of face confeſs and bewail the ſinfulneſs and vanity of my own life, but I do ſtedfaſtly reſolve and purpoſe (through the aſſiſtance of thy grace and holy ſpirit directing me) to "renounce the devil "and all his works, the pomps and vanities of "this wicked world, and all the ſinful luſts of "the fleſh." Be pleaſed, O Lord, to ſtrengthen

and confirm all these good resolutions in me. And I heartily thank thee, O heavenly Father, for calling me to this state of salvation through Jesus Christ my Saviour, *who died for my sins, and rose again for my justification*; and I humbly beseech thee, for his sake, to give me grace to continue in the same unto my life's end. *Amen.*

See *Psalm* i. xxiii. xxiv. xxv. cxix. cxxvi.

A Prayer for Faith in God's Mercy through Christ.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who, for the greater confirmation of our faith and confidence in thy mercy, hast, in thy holy gospel declared, that *whosoever believeth in thy Son Jesus Christ, shall not perish, but have everlasting life:* and that *this is life eternal to know thee the only true God and Jesus Christ, whom thou has sent:* Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith, in me evermore. O let me not rest in a dead faith, but grant that I may have such a lively faith as will shew itself by love and good works; such a victorious faith, as may enable me to overcome the world, and conform me to the image of thy son Jesus Christ, in whom I believe. O grant me such a due sense of thy infinite mercy, shewn to mankind in so much misery, as may never depart out of my mind.

I stedfastly believe, O blessed Jesus, that thou didst suffer upon the cross to save me and all the world from the guilt and punishment of our sins. O give me that grace, that I may die to sin, and rise again unto righteousness! Accept my imperfect sorrow, repentance, faith, and weak resolutions; and let thy precious merits, O my crucified Saviour, supply all my

wants and imperfections. Thou haſt ſaid, *Come unto me, all ye that labour, and are weary, and heavy laden, and I will refreſh you.* O bleſſed Jeſus, I come unto thee in all humility, and deeply ſenſible of my great unworthineſs: O do thou bear this burden of ſin for me, and refreſh me with comfortable hopes of thy mercy and forgiveneſs, and the truth of thy ſalvation, O gracious Lord! To whom (with the Father and the Holy Ghoſt) be all honour and glory for ever. *Amen.*

See *Pſalm* lvii. *Eph.* ii. 6, 11.

A thankful Remembrance of the Death of Chriſt.

"ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, "who of thy tender mercy didſt give "thine only ſon Jeſus Chriſt to ſuffer death "upon the croſs for our redemption, and haſt "inſtituted and ordained holy myſteries as "pledges of his love, and for a continual re-"membrance of his death and paſſion, to our "great and endleſs comfort:" Behold, I do moſt affectionately, and with all the powers of my ſoul and body, return my moſt hearty praiſe and thankſgiving for thy great mercy and tender compaſſion to me and all mankind, in ſending thy only Son into the world, to redeem us from ſin and miſery, and, by his meritorious death and paſſion, to purchaſe for us eternal life. Grant, O Lord, that I may always moſt gratefully remember this exceeding love of my only Saviour Jeſus Chriſt, thus dying for me; and work in me all ſuch holy and heavenly affections, as may diſpoſe my heart to be a worthy gueſt at thy holy table, prepared for the continual remembrance of the ſacrifice of the

death of Chriſt, and of thoſe benefits which we receive thereby. "Praiſe the Lord, O my ſoul, "and forget not all his benefits, who forgiveth "all thy ſins, and healeth all thine infirmities; "who ſaveth thy life from deſtruction, and "crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kind-"neſs." See *Pſalm* ciii. 2, 3. 4.

A Prayer for the Grace of Charity.

"O Lord, who haſt taught us that all our "doings without charity are nothing "worth; ſend thy Holy Ghoſt, and pour into "my heart that moſt excellent gift of charity, "the very bond of peace, and of all virtues, "without which, whoſoever liveth is accounted "dead before thee;" more eſpecially when I am going to commemorate the unſpeakable love of my bleſſed Saviour in dying for me, let not my heart be deſtitute of love towards my brethren; extend thy mercy and forgiveneſs unto all my enemies, perſecutors, and ſlanderers, and turn their hearts; which I as ſincerely beg for them, as I hope for mercy and forgiveneſs at thy hands. Poſſeſs me with kindneſs and goodwill for all mankind, that my faith may work by love, and diſpoſe my heart, according to my ability, to adminiſter towards the wants and neceſſities of thoſe who are any ways afflicted or diſtreſſed in mind, body, or eſtate, and to do unto all men as I would they ſhould do unto me; and give me that charity which covereth a multitude of ſins, that by doing good for evil all men may know that I am thy diſciple. Grant this for Jeſus's ſake. *Amen.*

See *Pſalm* xv. xli. cxii. cxxxiii. *Matt.* xxv. 34, 41. *Matt.* xviii. 21. 1 *Cor.* xiii.

A Prayer the Morning you intend to Communicate.

O Moſt gracious and eternal Lord God, who haſt called all ſuch as are weary and heavy laden to come unto thee by faith and repentance, and thou wilt refreſh them; in affiance on this thy gracious invitation, I will come to thy heavenly table, not truſting in my own righteouſneſs, but in thy manifold and great mercies; and although I am not worthy ſo much as to gather up the crumbs that fall from thy table, yet, ſince it is thy property always to have mercy, I will not deſpair of a kind reception; forgive my want of a due preparation, and accept of my ſincere deſire to perform an acceptable ſervice unto thee. Clothe me with the wedding-garment, even the graces of the goſpel, and then I am ſure I ſhall be a welcome gueſt at thy table, when I ſhall come thither in the likeneſs of thy Son Jeſus Chriſt, in whom thou art well pleaſed. Poſſeſs my ſoul with a lively faith, profound humility, filial obedience, inflamed affection, and univerſal charity; that ſo I may become a worthy partaker of theſe holy myſteries, to my great and endleſs comfort. Grant this, O heavenly Father, if it be thy bleſſed will, through Jeſus Chriſt, *Amen. Our Father*, &c.

See *Pſalm* xxiii. xxv. xxvi.

Short Prayers and Meditations before the Miniſter at Church begins the Communion Service.

At going up to the Altar.

IN the multitude of thy mercies, O Lord God, do I now approach thine altar; O pardon

my ſins, and look not upon my unworthineſs, (for I am a ſinful creature, O Lord,) but upon thoſe motives which drew me hither, even my own miſeries, and thy tender mercies; therefore help me to ſupply in humility, what I want in worthineſs, and let my bended knees and contrite heart ſhew that I durſt not have ventured hither, had not thy mercy held out the golden ſceptre, and ſaid, "Come unto me, all "ye that labour, and are heavy laden, and I "will refreſh you."

At giving your Alms.

O LORD, who didſt not deſpiſe the widow's mite, accept of this little which I freely offer towards the relief of any of thy poor members. *Mark* xii. 42.

When the Prieſt is ſetting in order the Elements to be conſecrated.

LOOK down, O Lord God, from thy holy habitation, and from the glorious throne of thy kingdom, and ſanctify us.

When you receive the Bread.

LORD, I am not worthy of the crumbs which fall from thy table, and yet thou giveſt unto me the bread of life. Evermore give me this bread, that I may eat thereof, and not die eternally. *John* vi. 34, 50.

After receiving the Bread.

NOT unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give the praiſe, for thy loving mercy, and for thy truth's ſake.

Before receiving the Cup.

WHAT reward ſhall I give unto the Lord for all the benefits that he hath done unto me? I will receive the cup of ſalvation, and call upon the name of the Lord.

After Drinking.

BLESSED be God the Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, for his unſpeakable gift, in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveneſs of our ſins.

When you retire from the Altar.

'BLESS the Lord, O my ſoul, and all that 'is within me bleſs his holy name; bleſs 'the Lord, O my ſoul, and forget not all his 'benefits; who forgiveth all thine iniquities, 'and healeth all thy diſeaſes, who redeemeth 'thy life from deſtruction, and crowneth thee 'with loving-kindneſs and tender mercies.' O let that heavenly food which thou haſt ſo lately fed me with, transfuſe new life and new vigour into my ſoul, and into the ſouls of all thoſe who have been partakers with me of this holy communion, that our faith, hope, and charity, may daily increaſe, and that we may all grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen* and *Amen.*

See *Pſalm* viii. xxiii. lxvi. ciii.

Prayers and Meditations which may be joined to the former, where the Communions are large.

Aſpirations for a devout Communicant.

1. ENLIGHTEN, O Lord, the eyes of my underſtanding with the light of faith

and wiſdom, that I may ever look on thee, my Redeemer, as the *way*, the *truth*, and the *life*, which leadeth unto eternal life.—What am I, Lord, and what is my father's houſe, that thou ſhouldſt thus follow me with thy bleſſings? I was created by thee and of thee, and mayeſt thou ever be the comfort of my ſoul.—Holy Jeſus, my hope and only refuge, I here render thee hearty thanks for all thy ſufferings, and beg that I may find ſhelter in thy wounds againſt all enemies, ghoſtly and bodily: imprint the memory of them faſt in my heart that I may love thee, and in all my ſufferings never want thy divine aſſiſtance, or forget what thou haſt ſuffered for me. Take from me all ſelf-love, and give me a perfect love of thee, that I may now be more faithful in my duty, and let nothing for the future put me out of my way: O that I could ever remember thee, think of thee, and delight in thee alone, and love thee only, who haſt loved us, and waſhed us with thy moſt precious blood from the guilt of our ſins. O that my ſenſes may ever be ſhut againſt all vanity and ſin, that my mind being free from all fruitleſs ſolicitude and fear, I may fix my heart there where true joys are only to be found. From henceforth I will ſeek unto thee my only good; my affections and deſires ſhall be fixed on thee; "in whoſe preſence there is fulneſs of "joy, and at whoſe right hand there are plea-"ſures for evermore."—My will I now reſign into thy hands, deſiring that thy will may be mine, both now and for evermore. Be thou my inſtructor and director in all things, that I may never do or ſpeak, deſire or think, any thing but what is according to thy good-will.

2. I AM thy ſervant, O Lord, O give me underſtanding according to thy word, that I may learn thy commandments, and lay aſide all intereſt, beſide that of heaven. O ſweet Jeſus, fountain of all goodneſs, guide my feet in thy paths, and teach me to do thy will: diſengage my heart from all unprofitable ſolicitude and vain deſires; and though I live here upon earth, yet raiſe my affections to things above. How ſweet, O Lord, is thy ſpirit! how pleaſant to my lips are the words of thy mouth! O that I could ever be mindful of them, to fulfil thy laws! Make me to die daily to the world and all its vanities, and let the greatneſs of thy love make all that is earthly appear as nothing to me. Protect me againſt mine enemies, and in all dangers appear in my defence: Make haſte to help me, O Lord, and ſay unto my ſoul, *I am thy ſalvation.* Remember thou art my Redeemer, and have compaſſion on my poor diſtreſſed ſoul; clothe it with all virtue, and feed it with thy grace, for it belongs to thee to take care of thoſe whom thou haſt redeemed. In thee I live, ſweet Jeſus, for thy ſake I deſire to die; both living and dying, I will ever profeſs that thou art good, and that thy mercy endures for ever.

3. O THAT I could now give thee, O Lord, all that praiſe, glory, and honour, with which the angels and bleſſed ſpirits glorify thee in heaven! But becauſe I am unable to do this, accept at leaſt my deſire and good-will. Deliver me, O God, from every thing that is contrary to thy will, and be pleaſed ſo to diſpoſe of my ſoul as may be for thy glory and

honour. I ſurrender myſelf into thy hands, and entirely reſolve to ſubmit to that ſtate of life thou ſhalt pleaſe to appoint me; and if it be more for thy honour that I ſuffer, I cheerfully accept it; *not my will, but thine be done.* Let nothing be now my comfort but thou, Lord Jeſus, and nothing afflict me but my ſins, and whatever elſe is diſpleaſing to thy Divine Majeſty. O bleſſed Jeſus, life eternal, by whom I live, and without whom I die, grant that I may now be united to thee, and that in the embraces of thy holy love and divine will, I may reſt for ever. When ſhall I ſee thee, O ſweet Saviour, when ſhall I appear before thy face; when ſhall I ſee thee in the land of the living! Till then, I ſigh and bewail my baniſhment, deſiring to be diſſolved, and to be with Chriſt.

If theſe *Ejaculations* are not ſufficient until the Poſt-Communion begins, you may enlarge them, by reading more or leſs of the following places in Scripture, *viz.*

For grace to love God's law, Pſalm xix. cxix.
For a holy life, Pſalm lxxxv.
For ſalvation and eternal joy, Pſalm xvi. xxiv.
For aſſurance of God's care and protection, Pſalm xxxvii.
For the comfort of God's Holy Spirit, Pſalm xxxiv.
For the grace of humility, Pſalm cxxxi.
For devotion in religion, Pſalm xxvii.
Thankſgiving for God's mercies, Pſalm ciii. cxxxvi. cxxxviii.
For pardon of ſins, Pſalm lxxxv. cvi. cxvi.
For redemption by Chriſt, Pſalm xcviii. cxviii.

An Act of Thankfulneſs and Reſolution before the Poſt-Communion begins.

"PRAISE the Lord, O my ſoul, and all that "is within me, bleſs his holy name;" for now I find the mercy, the peace, the comfort, and the grace, which flows from this fountain of ſpiritual communion with Chriſt: Let all the world know what he hath done for my ſoul: he hath reſcued me, and many of theſe my poor brethren, from the nethermoſt hell: wherefore I will love thee, O holy Jeſu! more than I can expreſs, and live and die in that moſt holy religion which thou haſt revealed to me, O let me never pollute that body, or defile that ſoul, which the Saviour of the world delights to dwell in. O let no oaths or lyings, backbitings or ſlanderings, profane thoſe lips, no obſcenity or intemperance pollute that mouth, through which theſe holy ſymbols have ſo lately paſſed; for which freſh inſtance of thy mercy and goodneſs, I will praiſe thy holy name, beſeeching thee to keep me in this temper and reſolution of mind, until *death is ſwallowed up in victory*; for thy ſon Jeſus Chriſt's ſake. Amen.

A Prayer againſt evil and perplexing Thoughts.

"GO not far from me, O Lord my God; "make haſte to help me," for corrupt imaginations are perpetually riſing in my breaſt, and innumerable fears and ſorrows cloſe me in on every ſide. Be pleaſed, O gracious Lord, in this perplexity, to refreſh my ſoul with ſome ſpeedy comfort; ſcatter and diſperſe all theſe dark and ſinful thoughts which haunt my ſoul, by ſhedding abroad the light of thy grace into

my heart; for in the extremity of my grief, this is my only hope and comfort, that I can take ſanctuary in thy goodneſs, repoſe my confidence, and caſt all my care and burthen on thee, who never faileſt them that call upon thee. Give me patience under theſe adverſities, and a happy iſſue out of all theſe afflictions, both of body and mind. "Turn thee unto me, and "have mercy upon me, for I am deſolate and "in miſery: The ſorrows of my heart are en-"larged: O bring thou me out of all my trou-"bles: Look upon my adverſity and miſery, "and forgive me all my ſins. O keep my ſoul, "and deliver me: Let me not be confounded, "for I have put my truſt in thee, through Je-"ſus Chriſt our Lord." *Amen.*

See *Pſalm* vi. cii. xxxiv. xlii. xliii.

Upon Chriſtmas Day, *and Seven Days after, you may add theſe to your other Devotions.*

I DESIRE, O Lord, to bleſs and praiſe thine infinite goodneſs, who didſt take compaſſion upon mankind in their greateſt miſery, and haſt provided ſo admirable a remedy, by ſending thy only begotten Son to recover our corrupt and degenerate nature, and by the purity of his doctrine, the example of his life, and the ſacrifice of his death, to purchaſe eternal happineſs for us. Grant, O Lord, that, through the aſſiſtance of thy grace and heavenly benediction, I may daily comply with thoſe great things which thou haſt done and deſigned for my ſalvation. Poſſeſs my ſoul with purity and piety, and all other chriſtian graces and virtues; that living ſoberly, righteouſly, and godly in this preſent world, I may hereafter dwell with thee,

O Father of mercies, and God of all comforts, in thoſe manſions of bliſs and glory which thou haſt prepared for them that love thee. *Amen.*

See *Pſalm* xix. xliv. lxxxix.

Eaſter-Day, *and Seven Days after.*

BLESSED Jeſus, who haſt triumphed over the powers of darkneſs, and conquered hell and the grave, and who, by thy glorious reſurrection, haſt made known the power of thy divinity, and proved thyſelf the true Meſſias, keep me ſtedfaſt in this faith, and grant, that all the actions of my life may teſtify the reality and ſincerity of my belief, by a ſuitable converſation; that I may riſe from the death of ſin unto the life of righteouſneſs; that as I am buried with thee by baptiſm, I may henceforth mortify all my corrupt luſts and affections, and daily proceed in all virtue and godlineſs of living, that departing this life in thy faith and fear, I may have my perfect conſummation and bliſs, both in body and ſoul, in thy eternal and everlaſting kingdom, who liveſt and reigneſt with the Father and the Holy Ghoſt, one God, world without end. *Amen.* See *Pſalm* ii. lvii. cxi.

Whitſunday, *and Six Days after.*

O LORD my God, who, by thy Son our Saviour Jeſus Chriſt, haſt promiſed the aſſiſtance of thy Holy Spirit to all that aſk it of thee, I beſeech thee always to direct my ways and actions, the thoughts and intentions of my heart, by the light of thy holy ſpirit. Let him be unto me a ſpirit of ſanctification, to purify my corrupt nature; a ſpirit of counſel in all my difficulties; of direction in all my doubts, fears,

and ſcruples; of courage in all my dangers; of conſtancy and conſolation to me under all my perſecutions and ſufferings, eſpecially in time of ſickneſs, and at the hour of death; that being governed and guided by his divine influence and direction, I may paſs through all the changes and chances of this mortal life, till he bring me to everlaſting life, there to reign with the ever-bleſſed and glorious Trinity, world without end. *Amen.* See *Pſalm* xxxiv. xlii. xliii. li.

Trinity Sunday.

GLORY be to thee, O God the Father, for creating me after thine own image, capable of loving thee, and enjoying thee eternally; for recovering me from a ſtate of ſin and miſery, when I had loſt and undone myſelf—Glory be to thee, O God the Son, for undertaking the wonderful work of man's redemption, for reſcuing me from the ſlavery of ſin, and the dominion of Satan, for the accompliſhing which miraculous work of our ſalvation, thou didſt deſcend from heaven, and didſt put on the form of a ſervant, live a miſerable life, and die a painful and accurſed death.—Glory be to thee, O God the Holy Ghoſt, for thoſe miraculous gifts and graces thou didſt beſtow upon the Apoſtles, and for thoſe ordinary gifts, whereby ſincere chriſtians, in all ages, are enabled to work out their ſalvation; for thy preventing and reſtraining grace, for the ſubduing our underſtandings and affections to the obedience of faith and godlineſs; for inſpiring us with good thoughts, and kindling good deſires in our ſouls; for aſſiſting us in all the methods of procuring eternal happineſs.—Bleſſing and honour, thankſgiving and

praise, more than I can express or conceive, be unto thee, O Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

See *Psalm* ii. xlvii. lxxii. cx.

After the Blessing, namely, The Peace of God.

GRANT, O Lord, that we, and all thy faithful servants, who have this day been made partakers of the holy sacrament, may obtain remission of our sins, and be confirmed in piety towards God, and in charity towards our neighbour, and may be delivered from the power and temptation of Satan; and being filled with thy spirit, may become worthy members of Christ's holy church, and at last inherit eternal life, through the same our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

A Thanksgiving after the Sacrament, to be said at Home.

THOU, O my God, hast comforted my soul, thou hast strengthened and refreshed me with thy blessings, and rejoiced my heart with the tokens of thy love. How transporting are thy comforts, and how ravishing the effects of thy goodness towards them that fear thee! Thou hast treated a vile sinner at thy own table, and fed me with the bread that came down from heaven. In what am I better than those to whom thou dost not grant this favour? It is not for my merits, but because thou wilt be glorified in doing good to the most unworthy, thou hast this day made me a happy example of this thy free grace and bounty. Grant me this favour also, O my God, that through the

whole courſe of my life, I may give thee praiſe and glory; that the due ſenſe of thy mercies may make me unfeignedly thankful; and that my thankfulneſs may appear in a care to walk before thee, in holineſs, ſobriety, and righteouſneſs, all the days of my life.

A Prayer in private after receiving the Holy Communion.

O How plentiful is thy goodneſs, which thou haſt laid up for them that fear thee, which thou haſt prepared for them that put their truſt in thy mercy, even before the ſons of men! I praiſe and magnify thy great and glorious name, O Lord, for all thoſe manifold mercies and comforts which thou haſt beſtowed upon me, ever ſince I was born. O Lord God, thou haſt been my truſt from my youth, by thee have I been holden up from the womb; my praiſe ſhall continually be of thee; but above all, bleſſed, and for ever bleſſed be thy holy name, for the manifeſtation of thy ſon Jeſus Chriſt, the fountain and foundation of all our happineſs, and for feeding me this day (who am unworthy of the leaſt of all thy mercies) with the ſpiritual food of his moſt precious body and blood, to my great and endleſs comfort. Enable me, O Lord, through thy gracious aſſiſtance, to perform the conditions of that ſacramental covenant which I have this day ſo ſolemnly renewed and confirmed in thy preſence, and at thy table; that through the ſtrength and power of that heavenly food I have there been partaker of, I may daily grow in grace and in the knowledge of Chriſt Jeſus, and abound in every good word and work; and ſubdue in me all thoſe inordi-

nate luſts and corrupt affections which war againſt my ſoul; purify my mind from all evil thoughts, bad intentions, and evil deſigns; and ſuffer not pride, vain-glory, ſelf-love, malice, hatred or revenge, or any other evil whatſoever, to reign in my mortal body; but do thou keep it for ever in the purpoſe of my heart, faithfully to fulfil my baptiſmal vows and reſolutions, which I have now again renewed at thy holy table, that by perſevering in all virtue and holineſs of life, I may at length be an inheritor of that infinite happineſs and glory which thou haſt promiſed by Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer in private for the Grace of Perſeverance.

HEAR, moſt merciful Saviour, I humbly beſeech thee, and let thy grace be ever aſſiſtant to all the endeavours and deſigns of thy weak and unworthy ſervant. I am not able of myſelf to do or think any thing that is good or well-pleaſing in thy ſight. O let thy holy ſpirit continually guard me againſt thoſe numerous temptations which ſo ſtrongly encounter me. Fix my inconſtant mind, that I may not be led away with the errors of the wicked, and fall from my own ſtedfaſtneſs, but that I may perſevere in good works unto the end. Moderate my affections and deſires, and confine them only to ſuch objects as are well-pleaſing in thy ſight. Let thy will be the ſole guide and meaſure of mine, that all my hopes and wiſhes may centre in thee alone, and nothing may ever appear deſirable to me, in compariſon of a pure heart and

peaceable conſcience: "Teach me thy way, O "Lord, and I will walk in thy truth: O knit my "heart unto thee, that I may fear thy name." Make me to love thee, as I ought, above all things, and let the intereſt of thy honour and glory be always dearer to me than gold or ſilver, or any other temporal advantage; for thou, O Lord, art my portion, thou art my only reſt, in thee alone is fulneſs of joy and true ſatisfaction, and without thee is miſery and torment. O grant me this bleſſed retreat, this happy ſecurity, and then I ſhall find reſt unto my ſoul, both here and hereafter. *Amen.* See *Pſalm* lxxxvi. cxix.

MORNING PRAYER.

PONDER my words, O Lord, conſider my meditation: my voice ſhalt thou hear betimes, O Lord; early in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up, Pſalm v. 1, 3. Almighty God, who dwelling in the higheſt heavens, yet vouchſafeſt to regard the loweſt creature here upon earth, I humbly adore thy ſacred Majeſty, and with all the powers of my ſoul and body do exalt and praiſe thy holy name for all the mercies and comforts of this life, and for the hopes and aſſurance of a better; for protecting me from the evils and dangers of the night paſt, and for bringing me ſafely to the light of a new day; continue this thy mercy and goodneſs to me; and as thou haſt awakened my body from ſleep, ſo raiſe my ſoul from the death of ſin, unto a life of righteouſneſs. Deliver me, O God, from the

evils of this day, and guide my feet in the paths of peace and holineſs, and ſtrengthen my reſolutions to embrace all opportunities of doing good, and carefully to avoid all occaſions of evil, eſpecially thoſe ſins* which by nature and inclination I am moſt likely to fall into: and when, through frailty, or the violence of any other temptation, I fall from my duty, do thou in mercy reſtore me again with a double portion of thy grace and holy ſpirit, to maintain a more vigorous defence againſt Satan and his devices. Shower down thy graces and bleſſings upon all my relations, [*on my father and mother, on my brethren and ſiſters,*] on all my friends, and give thy holy angels charge over them, to protect them from all ſin and danger. Make me diligent in the duties of my calling, and that in all the changes and chances of this life I may abſolutely ſubmit to thy Divine Providence. Let thy bleſſing be upon my actions, and let thy wiſdom direct my intentions, that ſo the whole courſe of my life, and the principal deſigns of my heart, may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that which is righteous in thy ſight, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

* *Here name such ſins as you are moſt afraid of.*

See *Pſalm* iv. xvi. xxiii. lxxxvi.

When you go out of your Chamber.

THE bleſſing of God deſcend upon me and all belonging to me, and dwell in my heart for evermore; and bleſs my going out and my coming in, now and for ever. *Amen.*

EVENING PRAYER.

LET my prayer, O Lord, be set forth as incense, and the lifting up of my hands be as an evening sacrifice, Psalm cxli. 2. O Lord our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, whose glory the heaven of heavens cannot contain, look down from the throne of thy Majesty, and behold thy unworthy servant, prostrate before thy mercy-seat, humbly confessing unto thee the vanity and sinfulness of my whole life; especially the omissions of my duty and commissions of sin* this day, wherewith I have so lately offended thine infinite Majesty and goodness, and so grievously wounded my own soul: of these, and all other my transgressions, I most earnestly repent, and am heartily sorry for these my misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto me, the burden of them is intolerable: have mercy upon me, most merciful Father; for thy son Jesus Christ's sake, forgive me all that is past, and accept of these my prayers and supplications, through the merits and mediation of the same, our Mediator and Redeemer. And although I am unworthy, through my manifold sins and iniquities, to offer unto thee any sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, yet I beseech thee to accept of this my bounden duty, with my unfeigned thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to me and all mankind†, purely proceeding from thy bounty, and wholly intended for my good, and particularly for preserving me this day in the midst of so many dangers incident to my condi-

* *Here name particular sins and failings of the day.*

† *Here name particular blessings and mercies.*

tion, and from so many calamities as are due to my sins. Thou art my Creator, O my God, and protector; thou art the ultimate end of my being, and supreme perfection of my nature; under the shadow of thy wings is perpetual repose, and from the light of thy countenance flow eternal joy and felicity; to whom be glory and honour, world without end. *Amen.*

And thou, O Lord, by whom kings reign, and princes decree justice, bless our most gracious sovereign Lord King GEORGE, and all the Royal Family; all my relations, friends, and kind benefactors*; let thy providence succour them and theirs from all evil and danger, and do thou reward them seven-fold into their bosom for all the good they have done or said of me. Be pleased, likewise, O Lord, (in whose hands are the issues of life and death,) to succour, help, and comfort all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation, all that labour under any bodily pain, sickness, or temptation †, or are disturbed in mind; relieve such according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. Subdue in me the evil spirit of wrath and revenge, and dispose my heart patiently to bear reproaches and wrongs, and to be ready not only to forgive, but also to do good for evil, that all men may know that I am Christ's disciple. And finally, O Lord, since thou hast ordained the day to labour in, and the night to take our rest, as I praise thee for the mercies of the day, so I humbly beg the continuance of thy gracious pro-

* *Here name particular persons.*

† *Especially those for whom our prayers are desired.*

tection over me this night. Let thy holy angels pitch their tents about my bed, that being ſafely delivered from all perils and dangers of this night, and comfortably refreſhed with moderate ſleep, I may be enabled to diſcharge the duties of my calling, and faithfully to perſevere in holineſs and pureneſs of living all the days of my life, to thy honour and glory, through our only mediator and advocate, Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen. Our Father*, &c.

When you lie down in your Bed.

I Will lay me down in peace, and take my reſt, for it is thou, Lord, only that makeſt me to dwell in ſafety; and into thy hands I recommend my ſpirit, my ſoul, and my body, for thou haſt redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

THE END.

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PSALM I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

THE man is blest that hath not lent
To wicked men his ear:
Nor led his life as sinners do,
Nor sat in scorner's chair:

But in the law of GOD the LORD
Doth set his whole delight,
And in the same doth exercise
Himself both day and night.

He shall be like a tree that is
Planted the rivers nigh,
Which in due season bringeth forth
Its fruit abundantly:

Whose leaf shall never fade or fall,
But flourishing shall stand;
E'en so all things shall prosper well,
That this man takes in hand.

PSALM IV.—Ver. 6, 7, 8, 9.

OFFER to GOD the sacrifice
Of righteousness and praise;
And look that in the living LORD
Ye put your trust always.

The greater sort crave worldly goods,
And riches do embrace;
But, LORD, grant us Thy countenance,
Thy favour, and Thy grace.

For Thou thereby shalt make my heart
More joyful and more glad,
Than they that of their corn and wine
Full great increase have had.

In peace therefore lie down will I,
Taking my rest and sleep;
For Thou only dost me, O LORD,
Preserve and safely keep.

PSALM V.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 10.

INCLINE Thine ear, O LORD, and let
My words have free access
To Thee, who art my GOD and King,
From whom I seek redress.

Hear me betimes, LORD, tarry not;
For I will have respect
My supplications in the morn
To Thee for to direct.

And I will patiently still trust
In Thee, my GOD, alone;
Thou art not pleased with wickedness,
And ill with Thee dwells none.

But those that put their trust in Thee,
Let them be glad always,
And render thanks for Thy defence,
And give Thy name the praise.

PSALM VIII.—Ver. 1. 3, 4. 8.

O GOD, our LORD, how wonderful
Are Thy works every where!
Thy fame surmounts in dignity
The highest heavens that are.

And when I see the heavens above,
The works of Thine own hand,
The sun, the moon, and all the stars,
In order as they stand;

LORD, what is man, that Thou of him
Tak'st such abundant care?
Or what the son of man, whom Thou
To visit dost not spare?

O GOD, our LORD, how excellent
Is Thy most glorious name
In all the earth! therefore do we
Praise and adore the same.

PSALM IX.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2. 7.—With Gloria Patri.

WITH heart and mouth to Thee, O LORD,
Will I sing, laud, and praise;
And speak of all Thy wond'rous works,
And them declare always.

I will be glad, and much rejoice,
In Thee, O GOD, most high,
And make my songs extol Thy name
Above the starry sky.

Know thou that He who is above
For evermore shall reign,
And in the seat of equity
True judgment will maintain.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Immortal glory be;
As was, and is, and shall be still,
To all eternity.

PSALM IX.—Part II.—Ver. 14. 16. 18.
With Gloria Patri.

In Sion that I may set forth
Thy praise with heart and voice;
And that in Thy salvation great
My soul may still rejoice.

By judgments great the Lord is known,
Whilst wicked men are caught,
And fast entangled in the work
Which their own hands have wrought.

But sure the Lord will not forget
The poor man's grief and pain:
The patient people never look
For help of Him in vain.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Immortal glory be;
As was, and is, and shall be still,
To all eternity.

PSALM XIII.—Ver. 1. 3, 4, 5.

How long wilt Thou forget me, Lord,
Shall it for ever be?
How long dost Thou intend to hide
Thy face away from me?

Behold me now, O Lord, my God,
And hear me sore oppressed;
Lighten mine eyes, lest I do sleep
As one by death possessed.

Lest that mine enemy do say,
Behold I do prevail;
Lest they also that hate my soul
Rejoice to see me fail.

But from Thy mercy and goodness
My hope shall not depart;
In Thy relief and saving health
Right glad shall be my heart.

PSALM XV.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

WITHIN Thy tabernacle, LORD,
Who shall inhabit still?
Or whom wilt Thou receive to dwell
In Thy most holy hill?

The man whose life is uncorrupt,
Whose works are just and straight,
Whose heart doth think the very truth,
And tongue speaks no deceit:

That to his neighbour doth no ill,
In body, goods, or name;
Nor willingly doth slanders raise
Which might impair the same.

That in his heart regardeth not
Malicious wicked men:
But those that love and fear the LORD,
He maketh much of them.

PSALM XVI.—Ver. 8, 9, 10, 11.

I SET the LORD still in my sight,
And trust Him over all;
For He doth stand on my right hand,
Therefore I shall not fall.

Wherefore my heart and tongue also
Rejoice exceedingly;
My flesh likewise doth rest in hope
To rise again; for why?

Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell,
Because Thou lovest me;
Nor yet wilt give Thy holy one
Corruption for to see.

But wilt me shew the way to life,
Where there is joy in store;
And where at Thy right hand there are
Pleasures for evermore.

PSALM XVII.—Ver. 1. 5, 6.

O LORD, give ear to my just cause,
Attend unto my cry,
And hear the prayer I offer up
To Thee unfeignedly.

Then in Thy paths that be most pure,
LORD, guide me, and preserve,
That from the way wherein I walk,
My steps may never swerve:

For I do call to Thee, O LORD;
Surely Thou wilt me aid;
Then hear my prayer, and weigh right well
The words that I have said.

PSALM XVIII.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2. 30.

With Gloria Patri.

O GOD, my strength and fortitude,
Of force I must love Thee;
Thou art my castle and defence,
In my necessity:

My GOD, my rock, in whom I trust,
The worker of my wealth;
My refuge, buckler, and my shield,
The horn of all my health.

For who is GOD, except the LORD!
For other there is none;
Or else who is omnipotent
Saving our GOD alone?

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Immortal glory be,
As was, and is, and shall be still,
To all eternity.

PSALM XVIII.—Part II.—Ver. 9, 10, 11, 12.

THE LORD descended from above,
And bow'd the heavens high:
And underneath His feet He cast
The darkness of the sky:

On cherubs and on cherubims
Full royally He rode,
And on the wings of mighty winds
Came flying all abroad.

And like a den most dark He made
His hid and secret place;
With waters black and airy clouds
Encompassed He was.

At His bright presence did thick clouds
In haste away retire;
And in the stead thereof did come
Hailstones and coals of fire.

PSALM XIX.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3.—With Gloria Patri.

THE heavens and firmament on high
Do wondrously declare
GOD's glory and omnipotence,
His works, and what they are.

The wondrous works of GOD appear
By every day's success,
The nights likewise, which their race run,
The self-same thing express.

There is no language, tongue, or speech,
Where their sound is not heard,
In all the earth and coasts thereof
Their knowledge is conferr'd.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Immortal glory be;
As was, and is, and shall be still,
To all eternity.

PSALM XIX.—Part II.—Ver. 9, 10, 11. 14.

THE fear of GOD is excellent,
And ever doth endure;
The judgments of the LORD also
Most righteous are and pure:

And more to be desired are
Than much fine gold alway:
The honey and the honeycomb
Are not so sweet as they.

By them Thy servant is forewarn'd
To have GOD in regard;
And in performance of the same
There shall be great reward.

Accept my mouth and heart also,
My words and thoughts each one;
For my Redeemer and my strength,
O LORD, Thou art alone.

PSALM XXII.—Ver. 23, 24, 25.—With Gloria Patri.

ALL ye that fear Him, praise the LORD,
Thou, Jacob, Him adore;
And all ye seed of Israel
Fear Him for evermore:

For He despiseth not the poor;
He hideth not away
His countenance, when they do call,
But hears them when they pray.

Among the folk that fear the LORD,
I will therefore proclaim
Thy praise, and keep my promise made,
For setting forth Thy name.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Immortal glory be;
As was, and is, and shall be still,
To all eternity.

PSALM XXIII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 5.

My shepherd is the living LORD,
Nothing therefore I need;
In pastures fair near pleasant streams
He setteth me to feed.

He shall convert and glad my soul,
And bring my mind in frame,
To walk in paths of righteousness,
For His most holy name.

Yea, though I walk in vale of death,
Yet will I fear no ill;
Thy rod and staff do comfort me,
And Thou art with me still.

Through all my life Thy favour is
So frankly shewn to me,
That in Thy house for evermore
My dwelling place shall be.

PSALM XXIV.—Part I.—Ver. 3, 4, 5.

WHO is the man, O LORD, that shall
Ascend unto Thy hill;
Or pass into Thy holy place,
There to continue still?

E'en he whose hands and heart are pure,
Which nothing doth defile;
His soul not set on vanity,
And hath not sworn to guile.

Him that is such a one, the LORD
Most highly will regard,
And from his GOD and Saviour shall
Receive a just reward.

PSALM XXIV.—Part II.—Ver. 7, 8, 9, 10.

Ye gates, and everlasting doors,
Lift up your heads on high;
Then shall the King of glorious state
Come in triumphantly:

Who is the King of glorious state?
The great and mighty Lord;
The mighty Lord, in battle strong,
And trial of the sword.

Ye gates, and everlasting doors,
Lift up your heads on high;
Then shall the King of glorious state
Come in triumphantly:

Who is the King of glorious state?
The Lord of Hosts it is;
The kingdom and the royalty
Of glorious state is His.

PSALM XXV.—Ver. 4, 5, 6, 7.

Direct me in Thy truth,
And teach me, I Thee pray;
Thou art my Saviour and my God,
On Thee I wait alway.

Thy mercies manifold,
Remember, Lord, I pray:
In pity Thou art plentiful,
And so hast been alway.

Remember not the faults
And frailty of my youth;
Call not to mind how ignorant
I have been of Thy truth.

Nor after my deserts
Let me Thy mercy find;
But of Thine own benignity,
Lord, have me in Thy mind.

PSALM XXVII.—Ver. 9, 10, 11.—With Gloria Patri.

LORD, hear the voice of my request,
For which to Thee I cry;
Have mercy, LORD, on me opprest,
And help me speedily!

My heart confesseth unto Thee,
I sue to have Thy grace:
Then seek my face, saidst Thou to me;
LORD, I will seek Thy face.

In wrath turn not Thy face away,
Nor suffer me to slide;
My help Thou hast been to this day,
Be still my GOD and guide.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The GOD whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM XXVIII.—Ver. 6, 7. 9.

To render thanks unto the LORD,
How great a cause have I,
My voice, my prayer, and my complaint
That heard so willingly.

He is my shield and fortitude,
My buckler in distress;
My heart rejoiceth greatly, and
My song shall Him confess.

Thy people and thy heritage,
LORD, bless, guide, and preserve;
Increase them, LORD, and rule their hearts,
That they may never swerve.

PSALM XXXI.—Ver. 5. 16. 23, 24.

INTO Thy hands, LORD, I commit
My soul, which is Thy due;
Because Thou hast redeemed it,
O LORD, my GOD, most true.

To me Thy servant, LORD, express
And shew Thy joyful face;
And save me, LORD, for Thy goodness,
Thy mercy, and Thy grace.

Ye saints, love ye the LORD alway;
The faithful He doth guide;
And to the proud He doth repay,
According to their pride.

Be of good courage, all ye just,
On GOD your strength depend;
For those in Him that put their trust,
He ever will defend.

PSALM XXXIII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

YE righteous, in the LORD rejoice:
It is a seemly sight,
That upright men with thankful voice,
Should praise the LORD of might.

Praise ye the LORD with harp, and sing
To Him with psaltery:
With ten-stringed instrument sounding,
Praise ye the LORD most high.

Sing to the LORD a song most new,
With courage give Him praise:
For why? His word is ever true,
His works and all His ways.

Both judgment, equity, and right,
He ever loved and will;
And with His gifts He doth delight
The earth throughout to fill.

PSALM XXXIV.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3.
With Gloria Patri.

I WILL give laud and honour both
Unto the LORD always;
My mouth also for evermore
Shall speak unto His praise.

I do delight to praise the LORD,
In soul, in heart, and voice;
That humble men may hear thereof,
And heartily rejoice.

Therefore see that ye magnify
With me the living LORD;
Let us exalt His holy name
Always with one accord.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Immortal glory be;
As was, and is, and shall be still,
To all eternity.

PSALM XXXIV.—Part II.—Ver. 11, 12, 13, 14.

COME near to me, my children, and
Unto my words give ear,
I will you teach the perfect way,
How ye the LORD shall fear.

Who is the man that would live long,
And lead a happy life?
See thou refrain thy tongue and lips
From all deceit and strife.

Turn back thy face from doing ill,
And do the godly deed;
Inquire for peace and quietness,
And follow it with speed.

For why? the eyes of GOD above
Upon the just are bent;
His ears likewise do hear the cry
Of the poor innocent.

PSALM XXXVI.—Ver. 7, 8, 9, 10.

THY mercy is above all things;
O GOD! it doth excel;
In trust whereof, as in Thy wings,
The sons of men shall dwell.

Within Thy house they shall be fed
With plenty at their will;
Of all delights they shall be sped,
And fear therein no ill.

Because the well of life most pure
Doth ever flow from Thee;
And in Thy light, we are full sure
Eternal light to see.

From such as Thee desire to know
Let not Thy grace depart;
Thy righteousness declare and shew
To men of upright heart.

PSALM XXXVII.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 5.

FRET not to see the wicked men
In wealth to flourish still;
Nor envy such as ill to do,
Have bent and set their will.

For as the grass and the green herbs
Do wither and decay,
So shall their great prosperity
Soon fade and pass away.

Trust thou therefore in GOD alone,
To do well give thy mind;
So shalt thou have the land as thine,
And thou sure food shalt find.

Cast both thyself and thy affairs
On GOD with perfect trust;
And thou shalt with patience see
Th' effect both sure and just.

PSALM XXXVII.—Part II.—Ver. 23, 24. 27, 28.

THE LORD the just man's steps doth guide,
And all his ways doth bless;
To every thing he takes in hand,
He giveth good success.

Though he doth fall, yet he is sure
Not utterly to sink;
For GOD upholds him with His hand,
And from him will not shrink.

Therefore flee vice and wickedness,
And virtue still embrace;
So GOD shall grant thee long to have
On earth a dwelling place.

For GOD so loveth equity,
And shews to His such grace,
That He preserveth them, but doth
Cut off the wicked race.

PSALM XXXIX.—Ver. 5, 6, 7, 8.

LORD, number out my life and days,
Which yet I have not past;
So that I may be certified
How long my life shall last.

For Thou hast pointed out my life,
In length much like a span;
My age is nothing unto Thee,
So vain is every man.

Man walketh like a shade, and doth
In vain himself annoy,
In getting goods, and cannot tell
Who shall the same enjoy.

Therefore, O LORD, what wait I for?
What help do I desire?
Truly my hope is e'en in Thee,
I nothing else require.

PSALM XLI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3.—With Gloria Patri.

THE man is blest that doth provide
For such as needy be;
For in the season perilous,
The LORD will set him free.

And He will keep him safe, and make
Him happy in the land;
And not deliver him into
His enemies' strong hand.

And from his bed of languishing,
The LORD will him restore;
For Thou, O Lord, will turn to health,
His sickness and his sore.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Immortal glory be;
As was, and is, and shall be still,
To all eternity.

PSALM XLIII.—Ver. 3, 4, 5, 6.

O LORD, send out Thy light and truth,
And lead me with Thy grace;
Which may conduct me to Thy hill,
And to Thy dwelling place.

Then shall I to Thy altar go,
With joy to worship there;
And on my harp give thanks to Thee,
O GOD! my GOD most dear.

Why art thou then so sad, my soul,
And frett'st thus in my breast!
Still trust in GOD, for Him to praise
I hold it always best.

By Him I have deliverance
From all my pain and grief;
He is my GOD, who doth alway
At need send me relief.

PSALM XLVII.—Ver. 1, 2. 6.—With Gloria Patri.

Ye people all, with one accord,
Clap hands, shout, and rejoice;
Be glad, and sing unto the Lord,
With sweet and pleasant voice.

For high the Lord, and dreadful is,
His wonders manifold;
A mighty King, He is likewise
In all the earth extoll'd.

Sing praises to our God, sing praise,
Sing praises to our King:
For God is King of all the earth,
All skilful praises sing.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore;
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM LI.—Ver. 10, 11, 12.—With Gloria Patri.

Make new my heart within my breast,
And frame it to Thy will;
And let Thy Spirit in me rest,
Which doth with comfort fill.

Cast me not from Thy sight, nor take
Thy Spirit quite away;
The comfort of Thy saving health,
Give me again, I pray.

With Thy free Spirit me support,
Then shall transgressors be,
By my instruction and advice,
Converted unto Thee.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Immortal glory be;
As was, and is, and shall be still
To all eternity.

PSALM LVII.—Ver. 9, 10, 11, 12.

My heart is set to praise the LORD,
In Him to joy always;
My heart doth ever well accord
To sing His laud and praise.

Awake, my joy; awake, I say,
My lute, my harp, and string;
And I myself, before the day,
Will rise, rejoice, and sing.

Among the people I will tell
The goodness of my GOD;
And shew His praise, that doth excel
In heathen lands abroad.

His mercy doth extend as far
As heavens all are high;
His truth as high as any star
That shineth in the sky.

PSALM LXI.—Ver. 1. 3, 4. 8.

REGARD, O LORD, for I complain,
And make my suit to Thee;
Let not my words return in vain,
But give an ear to me.

Upon the rock of Thy great power,
My woeful mind repose;
Thou art my hope, my fort, and tower,
My fence against my foes.

Within Thy tent I long to dwell,
There ever to abide;
Under Thy wings I know right well
I shall me safely hide.

And then, O LORD, I ever will
Sing praise unto Thy name;
That all my vows I may fulfil,
And daily pay the same.

PSALM LXII.—Ver. 1, 2. 7, 8.

My soul to God shall give good heed,
And Him alone attend;
Because my health, my hope to speed,
Doth whole on Him depend.

For He alone is my defence,
My rock, my health, and aid;
He is my stay, and no pretence
Shall make me much dismay'd.

My glory and salvation doth
On Him alone depend;
He is my strength, my stay, my wealth,
And still doth me defend.

O put your trust in Him alway,
Ye folk with one accord;
Pour out your hearts to Him, and say,
Our trust is in the Lord.

PSALM LXIII.—Ver. 1. 4, 5. 7.

O God, my God, I early seek,
To come to Thee in haste;
For why? my soul and body both
Do thirst of Thee to taste.

For why? Thy mercies far surmount
This life and wretched days;
My lips therefore shall give to Thee,
Due honour, laud, and praise.

And whilst I live, I will not fail
To worship Thee alway;
And in Thy name I will lift up
My hands when I do pray.

When in my bed I think of Thee,
And in the wakeful night,
I, under covert of Thy wings,
Rejoice with great delight.

PSALM LXV.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

THY praise alone, O LORD, doth reign
In Sion, Thine own hill;
Their vows to Thee they do maintain,
And promises fulfil.

For that Thou dost their prayers still hear,
And dost thereto agree;
The people all both far and near,
With trust shall come to Thee.

Our wicked life so far exceeds,
That we shall fall therein;
But, LORD, forgive our great misdeeds,
And purge us from our sin.

The man is blest whom Thou dost choose
Within thy courts to dwell:
Thy house and temple he shall use,
With pleasures that excel.

PSALM LXVII.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

HAVE mercy on us, LORD,
And grant to us Thy grace;
To shew to us do Thou accord,
The brightness of Thy face;

That all the earth may know
The way to godly wealth;
And all the nations here below
May see Thy saving health.

Let all the world, O GOD,
Give praise unto Thy name;
And let the people all abroad
Extol and laud the same.

Throughout the world so wide,
Let all rejoice with mirth;
For Thou with truth and right dost guide
The nations of the earth.

PSALM LXVII.—Part II.—Ver. 5, 6, 7.
With Gloria Patri.

Let all the world, O God,
Give praise unto Thy name;
And let the people all abroad
Extol and laud the same.

Then shall the earth increase,
Great store of fruit shall fall;
And then our God, the God of peace,
Shall ever bless us all.

God shall us greatly bless:
And then both far and near,
The folk which all the earth possess,
Of Him shall stand in fear.

To God, the Father, Son,
And Spirit, glory be;
As 'twas, and is, and shall be so
To all eternity.

PSALM LXVIII.—Ver. 4. 18, 19, 20.

Sing praise, sing praise unto the Lord,
Who rideth on the sky;
Extol the great Jehovah's name,
And Him still magnify.

Thou didst, O Lord, ascend on high,
And captive led'st them all;
Who in times past, Thy chosen flock
In bondage did enthral.

Thou hast received gifts for men,
E'en for thy enemies,
Unto the end that God the Lord
Might dwell with them likewise.

Now praised be the Lord for that
He pours on us such grace;
From day to day He is the God
Both of our health and peace.

PSALM LXXI.—Ver. 1, 2. 5.

My Lord, my God, in all distress,
My hope is whole in Thee;
Then let no shame my soul oppress,
Nor once take hold on me.

As Thou art just, defend me, Lord,
And rid me out of dread;
Give ear, and to my suit accord,
And send me help at need.

Thou art my stay whereon I rest,
Thou, Lord of Hosts, art He;
E'en from my youth I thought it best
Still to depend on Thee.

PSALM LXXIII.—Ver. 23, 24, 25, 26.

What thing is there that I can wish,
But Thee in heaven above?
And in the earth there nothing is
Like Thee that I can love.

My flesh and spirit both do fail,
But God will me restore;
For of my heart He is the strength
And portion evermore.

But lo, all such as Thee forsake,
Thou shalt destroy each one;
And those that trust in any thing,
Saving in Thee alone.

Therefore will I draw near to God,
And ever with Him dwell;
In God alone I put my trust,
His wonders I will tell.

PSALM LXXXI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

Be light and glad, in God rejoice,
Who is our strength and stay;
Be joyful, and lift up your voice
To Jacob's God alway.

Prepare your instruments most meet,
Some joyful psalm to sing;
Strike up with lute and harp so sweet,
On every pleasant string.

Blow as it were in the new moon,
With trumpets of the best;
As it is used to be done
At any solemn feast.

For this is unto Israel,
A statute which was made
By Jacob's God, and must full well
Be evermore obeyed.

PSALM LXXXIV.—Ver. 1, 2. 5, 6.

How pleasant is Thy dwelling place,
O Lord of Hosts, to me!
The tabernacles of Thy grace,
How pleasant, Lord, they be!

My soul doth long full sore to go
Into Thy courts abroad;
My heart and flesh cry out also
For Thee, the living God.

O, they be blessed that may dwell
Within Thy house always!
For they all times Thy facts do tell,
And ever give Thee praise.

Yea, happy sure likewise are they,
Whose stay and strength Thou art;
Who to Thy house do mind the way,
And seek it in their heart.

PSALM LXXXIX.—Ver. 8. 13, 14.—With Gloria Patri.

LORD GOD of Hosts, in all the world
What one is like to Thee?
On every side, most mighty LORD,
Thy Truth is seen to be.

Thine arm is strong, and full of power,
All might therein doth lie;
The strength of Thy right hand each hour
Thou liftest up on high.

In righteousness and equity
Thou hast Thy seat and place;
Mercy and truth are still with Thee,
And go before Thy face.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
All glory be therefore;
As in beginning was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM XC.—Ver. 13, 14. 17, 18.

INSTRUCT us, LORD, to know and try,
How long our days remain;
That so we may our hearts apply
True wisdom to attain.

Return, O LORD, how long wilt Thou
In Thy great wrath proceed?
Shew favour to Thy servants now,
And help them in their need.

O let Thy work and power appear,
And on Thy servants light:
And shew unto Thy children dear,
Thy glory and Thy might.

LORD, let Thy grace and glory stand
On us Thy servants thus;
Confirm the works we take in hand,
And prosper them to us.

PSALM XCI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

He that within the secret place
Of God most high doth dwell,
Under the shadow of His grace
He shall be safe and well.

Thou art my hope, and my strong hold,
I to the Lord will say;
My God He is, in Him will I
My whole affiance stay.

He shall defend thee from the snare,
The which the hunter laid;
And from the deadly plague and care
Whereof thou art afraid:

And with His wings shall cover thee,
And keep thee safely there;
His faith and truth thy fence shall be,
As sure as shield and spear.

PSALM XCII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

It is a thing both good and meet,
To praise the highest Lord;
And to Thy name, O Thou Most High,
To sing with one accord:

To shew the kindness of the Lord,
Before the day be light,
And to declare His truth abroad,
When it doth draw to night.

On a ten stringed instrument,
On lute and harp so sweet,
With all the mirth you can invent
Of instruments most meet.

For Thou hast made me to rejoice
In things so wrought by Thee,
That I have joy in heart and voice
Thy handy works to see.

PSALM XCIII.—Ver. 1. 2, 3. 6.

THE LORD doth reign, and clothed is
With majesty most bright;
And to declare His strength likewise,
Hath girt Himself with might.

The LORD also the earth hath made,
And shaped it most sure;
No might can make it move or fade,
At stay it doth endure.

Before the world was made or wrought,
Thy seat was set before:
Beyond all time that can be thought,
Thou hast been evermore.

O LORD, Thy testimonies great
Are very sure; therefore
Doth holiness become Thy seat
And house for evermore.

PSALM XCIV.—Ver. 9, 10, 11, 12.

THE LORD who made the ear of man,
He needs of right must hear;
He made the eye, all things must then
Before His sight appear.

The LORD doth all the world correct,
And make them understand;
Shall He not then your deeds detect?
How can ye 'scape His hand?

The LORD doth know the heart of man,
And sees the same full plain;
And He his very thoughts doth scan,
And findeth them but vain.

But, LORD, that man is happy sure,
Whom Thou dost keep in awe,
And through correction dost procure
To teach him in Thy law.

PSALM XCV.—Ver. 1, 2. 6, 7.

O COME, let us lift up our voice,
And sing unto the LORD;
In Him our rock of health rejoice
Let us with one accord:

Yea, let us come before His face,
To give Him thanks and praise;
In singing psalms unto His grace,
Let us be glad always.

Come, let us bow and praise the LORD,
Before Him let us fall;
And kneel to Him with one accord,
For He hath made us all.

For why? He is the LORD our GOD,
For us He doth provide;
We are His flock, He doth us feed,
His sheep, and He our guide.

PSALM XCVI.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2. 7, 8.

SING ye with praise unto the LORD
New songs with joy and mirth:
Sing unto Him with one accord,
All people on the earth:

Yea, sing unto the LORD alway,
Praise ye His holy name;
Declare and shew from day to day
Salvation by the same.

Ascribe unto the LORD therefore,
All men with one accord;
All might and worship evermore,
Ascribe unto the LORD.

Ascribe unto the LORD also
The glory of His name;
Into His courts with presents go,
And offer there the same.

PSALM XCVI.—Part II.—Ver. 9. 12, 13.
With Gloria Patri.

FALL down, and worship ye the LORD,
Within His temple bright;
Let all the people of the world
Be fearful at His sight.

The heavens shall joyfully begin,
The earth likewise rejoice;
The sea, with all that is therein,
Shall shout and make a noise:

The fields shall joy, and every thing,
That springeth on the earth;
The wood, and every tree shall sing,
With gladness and with mirth.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Immortal glory be;
As was, and is, and shall be still,
To all eternity.

PSALM XCVII.—Ver. 1, 2. 4, 5.

The LORD doth reign, for which the earth
May sing with pleasant voice;
The isles also, with joyful mirth,
May triumph and rejoice.

Both clouds and darkness likewise swell,
And round about Him beat;
Yea, right and justice ever dwell,
And 'bide about His seat.

His lightnings great full bright did blaze,
And to the world appear;
Whereat the earth did look and gaze,
With dread and deadly fear.

The hills likewise did melt in sight
And presence of the LORD;
They fled before that Ruler's might,
Who guideth all the world.

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PSALM C.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell,
Come ye before Him and rejoice.

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed,
Without our aid He did us make:
We are His flock, He doth us feed,
And for His sheep He doth us take.

O enter then His gates with praise,
Approach with joy His courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless His name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

For why? the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

PSALM CI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 6.

I mercy will and judgment sing,
O Lord God, unto Thee;
O let me understand the ways
That good and holy be.

Within my house, I daily will
Walk with an heart upright,
And I no kind of wicked thing
Will set before my sight.

I hate their works that fall away,
They shall not cleave to me;
From me shall go the froward heart,
No evil will I see.

I will no guileful person have
Within my house to dwell;
And in my presence he shall not
Remain, that lies doth tell.

PSALM CII.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 9, 10.

HEAR Thou my prayer, O LORD, and let
My cry come unto Thee;
In time of trouble do not hide
Thy face away from me.

Incline Thine ear to me, make haste
To hear me when I call;
For as the smoke doth fade, so do
My days consume and fall.

The days wherein I pass my life,
Are like the fleeting shade;
And I am wither'd like the grass,
That soon away doth fade.

But, Thou, O LORD, for ever dost
Remain in steady place,
And Thy remembrance ever doth
Abide from race to race.

PSALM CII.—Part II.—Ver. 23, 24, 25, 26.

THOU the foundations of the earth,
Before all time hast laid;
The heavens also, they are the work
Which Thy own hands have made.

They all shall perish and decay;
But Thou remainest still;
And they shall all in time wax old,
E'en as a garment will.

Thou as a vesture shalt them change,
And changed shall they be;
But Thou dost still abide the same,
Thy years do never flee.

The children of Thy servants shall
Continue and endure,
And in Thy sight their happy seed
For ever shall stand sure.

PSALM CIII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

My soul give praise unto the LORD,
My spirit, do the same;
And all the secrets of my heart,
Praise ye His holy name.

Praise thou the LORD, my soul, who hath
To thee been very kind;
And suffer not His benefits
To slip out of thy mind.

That gave thee pardon for thy faults,
And thee restored again;
From all thy weak and frail disease,
And healed thee of thy pain:

That did redeem thy life from death,
From which thou could'st not flee;
His mercy and compassion both
He did extend to thee.

PSALM CIV.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

My soul, praise the LORD, speak good of His name;
O LORD our great GOD, how dost Thou appear!
So passing in glory, that great is Thy fame,
Honour and majesty in Thee shine most clear.

With light, as a robe, Thou hast Thyself clad,
Whereby all the earth Thy greatness may see:
The heavens in such sort Thou also hast spread,
That they to a curtain compared may be.

His chamber beams lie in the clouds full sure,
Which as His chariots are made Him to bear;
And there with much swiftness His course doth endure,
Upon the wings riding of winds in the air.

He maketh His spirits as heralds to go,
And lightnings to serve we see also prest;
His will to accomplish, they run to and fro,
To save or consume things as seemeth Him best.

PSALM CV.—Ver. 2, 3, 4, 5.

SING joyfully unto the LORD,
Yea, sing unto Him praise;
And talk of all His wond'rous works,
That He hath wrought always.

In honour of His holy name,
Rejoice with one accord;
And let the heart also be glad
Of them that seek the LORD.

Seek ye the LORD, and seek the strength
Of His eternal might;
Yea, seek His face incessantly,
And presence of His sight.

The wond'rous works which He hath done,
Keep still in mindful heart;
Let not the judgments of His mouth
Out of your mind depart.

PSALM CVI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

PRAISE ye the LORD, for He is good,
His mercy lasts alway:
Who can express His noble acts,
Or all His praise display?

They blessed are that judgment keep,
And justly do alway;
With favour of Thy people, LORD,
Remember me, I pray:

And with Thy saving health, O LORD,
Vouchsafe to visit me;
That I the great felicity
Of Thine elect may see.

And with Thy people's joy I may
A joyful mind possess,
And may with Thine inheritance,
A cheerful heart express.

PSALM CVII.—Ver. 1, 2. 21, 22.

GIVE thanks unto the LORD our GOD,
For very kind is He;
And that His mercy hath no end,
All mortal men may see.

Such as the LORD redeemed hath,
With thanks shall praise His name;
And shew how they from foes were freed,
And how he wrought the same.

Let men therefore before the LORD,
Confess His goodness then;
And shew the wonders that He doth,
Before the sons of men.

And let them offer sacrifice
To Him most thankfully,
And speak of all His wond'rous works,
With gladness and with joy.

PSALM CVIII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

O GOD, my heart prepared is,
My tongue is likewise so;
I will advance my voice in song,
That I Thy praise may shew.

Awake, my viol and my harp,
Sweet melody to make;
And in the morning, I myself
Right early will awake.

By me, among the people, LORD,
Still praised shalt Thou be;
And I among the heathen folk,
Will praises sing to Thee:

Because Thy mercy doth ascend
Above the heavens most high;
Also Thy truth doth reach the clouds
Within the lofty sky.

PSALM CXI.—Ver. 6, 7.

Redemption great He gave,
His people for to save;
It also hath appeared,
His promise doth not fail,
But evermore prevail,
His holy name be feared.

Whoso with heart full fain,
True wisdom would attain,
The Lord fear and obey;
Such as His laws do keep,
Shall knowledge have full deep,
His praise shall last alway.

PSALM CXIII.—Ver. 1, 2.

Ye children which do serve the Lord,
Praise ye His name with one accord;
Yea, blessed be alway His name,
Who from the rising of the sun,
Till it return where it begun,
Is to be praised with great fame.

The Lord all people doth surmount;
As for His glory, we may count
Above the heavens high to be;
With God the Lord, who can compare,
Whose dwellings in the heavens are?
Of such great power and force is He.

PSALM CXVI.—Ver. 4, 5. 10, 11.

The LORD is very merciful,
And just He is also;
And in our GOD compassion doth
Most plentifully flow.

The LORD in safety doth preserve
All those that simple be;
I was in woeful misery,
And He delivered me.

The wholesome cup of saving health,
I thankfully will take;
And on the name of GOD will call,
When I my prayers do make.

I to the LORD will pay my vows,
With joy and great delight,
Now at this very present time,
In all his people's sight.

PSALM CXVIII.—Part I.—Ver. 17, 18. 24.

With Gloria Patri.

SET open unto me the gates
Of truth and righteousness,
That I may enter into them,
His praise for to express.

This is the gate of GOD the LORD,
Which open shall be set,
That good and righteous men always
May enter into it.

GOD is the LORD that shews us light,
Bind ye therefore with cord
Your sacrifice to the altar,
And give thanks to the LORD.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Immortal glory be;
As was, and is, and shall be still,
To all eternity.

PSALM CXVIII.—Part II.—Ver. 19, 20, 21, 22.

I WILL give thanks to Thee, O LORD,
And ever will praise Thee,
Who hast me heard, and art become
A Saviour unto me.

The stone which formerly among
The builders was refus'd,
Is now become the corner-stone,
And chiefly to be us'd.

This was the mighty work of GOD,
It was the LORD's own fact:
And it is wond'rous to behold
That great and noble act.

This is the joyful day indeed,
Which GOD Himself hath wrought;
Let us be glad, and joy therein
In heart, and mind, and thought.

PSALM CXIX.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

BLESSED are they that perfect are,
And pure in mind and heart,
Whose lives and conversation do
From GOD's laws ne'er depart!

Blessed are they that give themselves
His statutes to observe,
Seeking the LORD with all their heart,
And never from Him swerve!

Doubtless such men go not astray,
Nor do a wicked thing;
But steadfastly walk in His way,
Without any wand'ring.

'Tis Thy commandment and Thy will,
That with attentive heed,
Thy precepts, which are most divine,
We learn and keep indeed.

PSALM CXIX.—Part II.—Ver. 9, 10, 11, 12.

By what means may a young man best
His life learn to amend?
If that he mark and keep Thy word,
And therein his time spend.

Unfeignedly I have Thee sought,
And thus seeking abide:
O never suffer me, O Lord,
From thy commands to slide!

Within my heart and secret thoughts
Thy words I have hid still;
That I might not at any time
Offend Thy holy will.

We magnify Thy name, O Lord,
And praise Thee evermore;
Thy statutes of most worthy fame,
O Lord, teach me therefore.

PSALM CXIX.—Part III.—Ver. 14, 15, 16.

Thy testimonies and Thy ways
Much more my heart rejoice,
Than all the treasures of the earth,
Which worldlings make their choice.

Upon Thy precepts I will muse,
And thereto frame my talk;
As at a mark, so will I aim,
How I Thy ways may walk.

My only joy shall so be fix'd,
And on Thy laws so set,
That nothing shall me so far blind,
That I Thy words forget.

PSALM CXIX.—Part IV.—Ver. 26, 27, 28. 32.

My ways when I acknowledged,
With mercy Thou didst hear;
Hear now also, and me instruct
Thy laws to love and fear.

Make me, O Lord, to understand
Thy precepts evermore;
Then on Thy works I'll meditate,
And lay them up in store.

My soul I feel so sore oppress'd,
That it doth melt with grief;
According to Thy word therefore
Haste, Lord, to send relief.

Then will I run most joyfully
Where Thy word doth me call,
When Thou enlarged hast my heart,
And rid me out of thrall.

PSALM CXIX.—Part V.—Ver. 41. 43, 44. 48.

Thy mercies great and manifold
Let me obtain, O Lord,
Thy saving health let me enjoy,
According to Thy word:

The word of truth within my mouth
Let evermore be prest;
For in Thy judgments wonderful,
My hope doth always rest.

And whilst that breath within me doth
This mortal life preserve,
Yea, till this world shall be dissolv'd,
Thy law will I observe.

My hands I will lift to Thy laws
Which I have dearly sought;
And practise Thy commandments all,
In word, in deed, and thought.

PSALM CXIX.—Part VI.—Ver. 49, 50. 55, 56.

THY promise which Thou mad'st to me
Remember, LORD, I pray;
For therein have I put my trust
And confidence alway.

It is my comfort and my joy,
When troubles me assail;
For were my life not by Thy word,
It suddenly would fail.

I thought upon Thy name, O LORD,
By night, when others sleep;
Thy law also I kept always,
And ever will it keep.

This grace I did obtain, because
Thy covenants most dear
I did embrace, and also keep
With reverence and fear.

PSALM CXIX.—Part VII.—Ver. 57, 58. 63, 64.

O GOD, who art my part and lot,
My comfort and my stay,
I have decreed and promised
Thy laws to keep alway.

With my whole heart I humbly sued
In presence of Thy face;
As Thou therefore hast promised,
LORD, grant to me Thy grace.

I am companion of all them
Who fear Thee in their heart;
O therefore grant I never may
From Thy commandments start!

Thy mercies, LORD, most plenteously
The earth throughout do fill;
O teach me how I may obey
Thy statutes and Thy will.

PSALM CXIX.—Part VIII.—Ver. 65, 66, 67, 68. 71.

ACCORDING to Thy promise, LORD,
So hast Thou with me dealt;
For of Thy grace in sundry sorts,
Have I, Thy servant felt.

Teach me to judge always aright,
And give me knowledge sure;
For stedfastly do I believe
Thy precepts are most pure.

Before that I afflicted was,
I err'd, and went astray;
But now I keep Thy holy word,
And make it all my stay.

Thou art both good and gracious, LORD,
And in Thy gifts most free;
Thy ordinances how to keep
Therefore, O LORD, teach me.

O happy time, may I well say,
When Thou didst me correct!
That I thereby might learn Thy laws,
And never them reject.

PSALM CXIX.—Part IX.—Ver. 97. 103, 104.

WHAT great desire and fervent love
Unto Thy law I bear!
On it my daily study is,
That so I may Thee fear.

O LORD, how sweet unto my taste
I find Thy words alway!
Doubtless no honey in my mouth
Doth taste so sweet as they.

Thy laws have me such wisdom learn'd,
That I do hate therefore
All wicked and ungodly ways,
And will do evermore.

PSALM CXIX.—Part X.—Ver. 165, 166, 167, 168.

GREAT peace and rest shall all such have
As do Thy statutes love;
No danger shall their quiet state
Impair or once remove.

My only health and comfort, LORD,
I look for at Thy hand;
And therefore have I done those things
Which Thou didst me command.

Thy laws have been my exercise,
Which my soul most desir'd;
So much to them my love was bent,
That nought else I requir'd.

Thy statutes and commandments I
Have kept with heart upright;
For all my doings and my ways
Are present in thy sight.

PSALM CXXX.—Ver. 2, 3, 4, 5.

HEARKEN, O LORD, to my request,
Unto my suit incline;
And let thine ear, O LORD, be prest,
To hear this prayer of mine.

O LORD our GOD, if Thou survey
Our sins, and them peruse,
Who shall escape? or who dare say,
I can myself excuse?

But Thou art merciful and free,
And boundless in Thy grace,
That we might always careful be
To fear before Thy face.

In GOD, the LORD, I put my trust,
My soul waits on His will;
His promise is for ever just,
And I hope therein still.

PSALM CXXXII.—Ver. 11, 12, 13.—With Gloria Patri.

THE LORD himself hath Sion chose,
And loves therein to dwell,
Saying, This is my resting place,
I love and like it well.

And I will bless with great increase
Her victuals every-where;
And also satisfy with bread,
The needy that be there.

With my salvation I will clothe
Her priests for evermore,
And all her saints likewise shall sing
And shout for joy therefore.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Immortal glory be;
As was, and is, and shall be still,
To all eternity.

PSALM CXXXIII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

O WHAT a happy thing it is,
And joyful for to see,
Brethren to dwell together in
Friendship and unity.

'Tis like the precious ointment that
Was pour'd on Aaron's head,
Which from his beard down to the skirts
Of his rich garments spread.

And as the lower ground doth drink
The dew of Hermon hill,
And Sion with his silver drops
The fields with fruit doth fill.

Ev'n so the LORD doth pour on them
His blessings manifold,
Whose hearts and minds without all guile
This knot doth keep and hold.

PSALM CXXXIV.—Ver. 1, 2, 3.—With Gloria Patri.

Behold, and have regard,
Ye servants of the Lord,
Who in His house by night do watch,
Praise Him with one accord.

Lift up your hands on high
Unto His holy place,
And give the Lord His praises due,
His benefits embrace.

For why? the Lord our God,
Who heaven and earth did frame,
Doth Sion bless, and will preserve,
For evermore the same.

To God the Father, Son,
And Spirit, glory be,
As 'twas, and is, and shall be so,
To all eternity.

PSALM CXXXVIII.—Ver. 2, 3. 7, 8.

Towards Thy holy temple I
Will look and worship Thee;
And praised in my thankful mouth
Thy holy name shall be:

E'en for Thy loving-kindness sake,
And for Thy truth withal:
For Thou Thy name hast by Thy word
Advanced over all.

The Lord is high, but yet He doth
The lowly man respect;
The proud He knows far off, and them
With scorn He doth reject.

Although in midst of trouble I
Do walk, yet shall I stand
Reviv'd by Thee; for Thou, O Lord,
Wilt stretch out Thy right hand.

PSALM CXXXIX.—Ver. 1, 2, 3.—With Gloria Patri.

O LORD, Thou hast me tried and known,
My sitting down dost know,
My rising up, and thoughts far off,
Thou understand'st also.

My path, yea, and my bed likewise,
Thou art about always,
And by familiar custom art
Acquainted with my ways.

No word is in my tongue, O LORD,
That is not known to Thee;
Thou hast beset me round about,
And laid Thy hand on me.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Immortal glory be,
As was, and is, and shall be still,
To all eternity.

PSALM CXLI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 9.

O LORD, upon Thee do I call,
Then haste Thee unto me,
And hearken Thou unto my voice
When I do cry to Thee:

As incense let my prayers still be
Directed in Thine eyes,
And the uplifting of my hands
An evening sacrifice.

For guiding of my mouth, O LORD,
Set Thou a watch before:
And also of my morning lips,
O LORD, keep Thou the door.

For, O my LORD and GOD, my eyes
Do look up unto Thee;
In Thee is all my trust, let not
My soul forsaken be.

PSALM CXLIII.—Ver. 1, 2. 10.—With Gloria Patri.

LORD, hear my prayer, and my complaint,
Which I do make to Thee,
And in Thy native truth, and in
Thy justice answer me.

In judgment with Thy servant, LORD,
O enter not at all:
For justified be in Thy sight
Not one that liveth shall.

Teach me to do Thy will, for Thou,
Thou art my GOD alway;
Let Thy good Spirit to the land
Of mercy me convey.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Immortal glory be;
As was, and is, and shall be still
To all eternity.

PSALM CXLIV.—Ver. 1, 2. 8, 9.

BLEST be the LORD my strength, that doth
Instruct my hands to fight,
The LORD that doth my fingers frame
To battle by His might.

He is my hope, my fort, and tower,
Deliverer, and shield;
In Him I trust, my people He,
Subdues, to me to yield.

A new song will I sing to Thee,
O GOD the LORD most high,
And on a ten-string'd lute also
Praise Thee most joyfully.

E'en He it is that only gives
Deliverance to kings;
Unto His servant David, help
From hurtful sword He brings.

PSALM CXLV.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

THEE will I laud, my GOD and King,
And bless Thy name alway;
For ever will I praise the same,
And bless Thee day by day.

Great is the LORD, most worthy praise,
His greatness none can reach;
From race to race they shall Thy works
Praise, and Thy power preach.

I of Thy glorious majesty,
The beauty will record,
And meditate upon Thy works,
Most wonderful, O LORD:

And they shall of Thy power, and of
Thy faithful acts declare;
And I to publish all abroad
Thy greatness will not spare.

PSALM CXLV.—Part II.—Ver. 11, 12, 13. 16.

THE eyes of all do wait on Thee,
Thou dost them all relieve,
And Thou to each sufficing food
In season due dost give.

Thou openest Thy plenteous hand,
And bounteously dost fill
All things whatever that do live,
With gifts of Thy good will.

The LORD is just in all His ways,
His works are holy all,
And He is near all those that do
In truth upon Him call.

My thankful mouth shall gladly speak
The praises of the LORD;
All flesh to praise His holy name
For ever shall accord.

PSALM CXLVI.—Ver. 1. 4, 5. 9.

My soul, praise Thou the LORD always;
My GOD I will confess;
While breath and life prolong my days,
My tongue no time shall cease.

Blessed and happy are all they
Whom Jacob's GOD doth aid,
And he whose hope doth not decay,
But on the LORD is staid.

Who made the earth and waters deep,
The heavens most high withal?
Who doth His word and promise keep,
In truth and ever shall?

The LORD thy GOD eternally,
O Sion, still shall reign,
In time of all posterity
For ever to remain.

PSALM CXLVII.—Ver. 1. 3, 4, 5.

PRAISE ye the LORD, for it is good
Unto our GOD to sing;
For it is pleasant; and to praise
It is a comely thing.

He heals the broken in their heart,
Their sores up doth he bind;
He counts the number of the stars,
And names them in their kind.

Great is the LORD, great is His power,
His wisdom infinite;
The LORD relieves the meek, and throws
To ground the wicked wight.

Sing unto GOD the LORD with praise,
Unto the LORD rejoice,
And to our GOD upon the harp
Advance your singing voice.

PSALM CXLIX.—Ver. 1. 3, 4.

SING ye unto the LORD our GOD
A new rejoicing song,
And let the praise of Him be heard
His holy saints among.

Let them sound praise with voice of lute
Unto His holy name,
And with the timbrel and the harp
Sing praises to the same.

For why? the LORD His pleasure all
Hath in His people set;
And by deliv'rance He will raise
The meek to glory great.

PSALM CL.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

YIELD unto GOD the mighty LORD
Praise in His holiness;
And in the firmament of His
Great power praise Him no less.

Advance His name, and praise Him in
His mighty acts always;
According to His excellence
And greatness give Him praise.

His praises with the princely noise
Of sounding trumpets blow;
Praise Him upon the viol, and
Upon the harp also:

Praise Him with timbrel and with flute,
Organs and virginals,
With sounding cymbals praise ye Him,
Praise Him with loud cymbals.

Whatever hath the benefit
Of breathing, praise the LORD,
To praise His great and holy name
Agree with one accord.

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PSALM I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 6.

How blest is he who ne'er consents
  By ill advice to walk;
Nor stands in sinners' ways, nor sits
  Where men profanely talk.

But makes the perfect law of GOD
  His business and delight;
Devoutly reads therein by day,
  And meditates by night.

Like some fair tree, which, fed by streams,
  With timely fruit does bend,
He still shall flourish, and success
  All his designs attend.

For GOD approves the just man's ways;
  To happiness they tend;
But sinners, and the paths they tread,
  Shall both in ruin end.

PSALM III.—Ver. 3, 4. 5.

But Thou, O Lord, art my defence;
On Thee my hopes rely;
Thou art my glory, and shalt yet
Lift up my head on high.

Since whensoe'er in like distress
To God I made my prayer,
He heard me from His holy hill,
Why should I now despair?

Guarded by Him, I laid me down,
My sweet repose to take:
For I through Him securely sleep,
Through Him in safety wake.

PSALM IV.—Part I.—Ver. 1. 3, 4.

O Lord, Thou art my righteous judge,
To my complaint give ear;
Thou still redeem'st me from distress,
Have mercy, Lord, and hear.

Consider that the righteous man
Is God's peculiar choice;
And when to Him I make my prayer,
He always hears my voice.

Then stand in awe of His commands,
Flee ev'ry thing that's ill;
Commune in private with your hearts,
And bend them to His will.

PSALM IV.—Part II.—Ver. 6, 7, 8.

While worldly minds impatient grow,
More prosp'rous times to see,
Still let the glories of Thy face
Shine brightly, Lord, on me.

So shall my heart o'erflow with joy
More lasting and more true,
Than their's who stores of corn and wine
Successively renew.

Then down in peace I lay my head,
And take my needful rest;
No other guard, O Lord, I crave,
Of Thy defence possest.

PSALM V.—Ver. 1. 3. 7. 12.

Lord, hear the voice of my complaint,
Accept my secret prayer:
To Thee alone, my King, my God,
Will I for help repair.

Thou in the morn my voice shalt hear;
And with the dawning day
To Thee devoutly I'll look up,
To Thee devoutly pray.

And when thy boundless grace shall me
To Thy lov'd courts restore,
On Thee I'll fix my longing eyes,
And humbly there adore.

To righteous men the righteous Lord
His blessing will extend,
And with His favour all His saints
As with a shield defend.

PSALM VIII.—Ver. 1. 3, 4.—With Gloria Patri.

O Thou, to whom all creatures bow
Within this early frame;
Through all the world how great art Thou!
How glorious is Thy name!

When heaven, Thy bounteous work on high,
Employs my wond'ring sight;
The moon that nightly rules the sky,
With stars of feebler light;

What's man, I say, that Lord, Thou lov'st
To keep him in Thy mind;
Or what his offspring, that Thou prov'st
To them so wond'rous kind?

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore;
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM IX.—Ver. 1, 2. 10, 11.

To celebrate Thy praise, O Lord,
I will my heart prepare;
To all the list'ning world Thy works,
Thy wond'rous works declare.

The thought of them shall to my soul
Exalted pleasures bring;
Whilst to Thy name, O Thou, Most High,
Triumphant praise I sing.

All those who have His goodness prov'd,
Will in His truth confide;
Whose mercy ne'er forsook the man,
That on His help rely'd.

Sing praises therefore to the Lord,
From Sion, His abode;
Proclaim His deeds, till all the world
Confess no other God.

PSALM XIII.—Ver. 1, 2. 5, 6.

How long wilt Thou forget me, LORD?
Must I for ever mourn?
How long wilt Thou withdraw from me,
Oh, never to return?

How long shall anxious thoughts, my soul,
And grief my heart oppress?
How long my enemies insult,
And I have no redress?

Since I have always plac'd my trust
Beneath Thy mercy's wing,
Thy saving health will come; and then
My heart with joy shall spring.

Then shall my song, with praise inspir'd,
To Thee, my GOD, ascend;
Who to Thy servant in distress,
Such bounty didst extend.

PSALM XV.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 7.

LORD, who's the happy man that may
To Thy blest courts repair?
Not stranger-like to visit them,
But to inhabit there?

'Tis he, whose ev'ry thought and deed
By rules of virtue moves;
Whose gen'rous tongue disdains to speak
The thing his heart disproves.

Who never did a slander forge,
His neighbour's fame to wound;
Nor hearken to a false report,
By malice whisper'd round.

The man, who by this steady course
Has happiness insur'd,
When earth's foundation shakes, shall stand
By Providence secur'd.

PSALM XVI.—Ver. 8, 9, 11.— With Gloria Patri.

I strive each action to approve
To His all-seeing eye;
No danger shall my hopes remove,
Because He still is nigh.

Therefore my heart all grief defies,
My glory does rejoice;
My flesh shall rest, in hope to rise,
Wak'd by His powerful voice.

Thou shalt the paths of life display,
Which to Thy presence lead;
Where pleasures dwell without allay,
And joys that never fade.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The GOD whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM XIX.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

THE heavens declare Thy glory, LORD,
Which that alone can fill:
The firmament and stars express
Their great Creator's skill.

The dawn of each returning day
Fresh beams of knowledge brings;
From darkest night's successive rounds
Divine instruction springs.

Their pow'rful language to no realm
Or region is confin'd;
'Tis Nature's voice, and understood
Alike by all mankind.

Their doctrine does its sacred sense
Thro' earth's extent display;
Whose bright contents the circling sun
Does round the world convey.

PSALM XIX.—Part II.—Ver. 7, 8, 9, 10.

GOD's perfect law converts the soul;
Reclaims from false desires;
With sacred wisdom His sure word
The ignorant inspires.

The statutes of the LORD are just,
And bring sincere delight;
His pure commands in search of truth
Assist the feeble sight.

His perfect worship here is fix'd,
On sure foundations laid;
His equal laws are in the scales
Of truth and justice weigh'd.

Of more esteem than golden mines,
Or gold refin'd with skill:
More sweet than honey, or the drops
That from the comb distil.

PSALM XIX.—Part III.—Ver. 12, 13, 14.

LORD, what frail man observes how oft
He doth from virtue fall?
O cleanse me from my secret faults,
Thou GOD that know'st them all.

Let no presumptuous sin, O LORD,
Dominion have o'er me:
That by Thy grace preserv'd, I may
The great transgression flee.

So shall my prayer and praises be
With Thy acceptance blest;
And I secure on Thy defence,
My strength and Saviour, rest.

PSALM XX.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

THE LORD to thy request attend,
And hear thee in distress;
The name of Jacob's GOD defend,
And grant thy arms success.

To aid thee from on high repair,
And strength from Sion give;
Remember all thy off'rings there,
Thy sacrifice receive.

To compass thy own heart's desire
Thy counsels still direct;
Make kindly all events conspire
To bring them to effect.

To Thy salvation, LORD, for aid
We cheerfully repair;
With banners in Thy name display'd;
"The LORD accept thy pray'r."

PSALM XXI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 7.

THE King, O LORD, with songs of praise
Shall in Thy strength rejoice;
With Thy salvation crown'd shall raise
To heav'n his cheerful voice.

For Thou, whate'er his lips request,
Not only dost impart;
But hast with Thy acceptance blest
The wishes of his heart.

Thy goodness and Thy tender care
Have all his hopes outdone;
A crown of gold Thou mad'st him wear,
And sett'dst it firmly on.

Because the King on GOD alone
For timely aid relies;
His mercy still supports his throne,
And all his wants supplies.

PSALM XXII.—Ver. 23, 24, 25. 27.

Ye worshippers of Jacob's God,
All you of Israel's line,
O praise the Lord, and to your praise
Sincere obedience join.

He ne'er disdain'd on low distress
To cast a gracious eye:
Nor turn'd from poverty His face,
But hears its humble cry.

Thus in Thy sacred courts will I
My cheerful thanks express:
In presence of Thy saints perform
The vows of my distress.

Then shall the glad converted world
To God their homage pay;
And scatter'd nations of the earth
One sov'reign Lord obey.

PSALM XXIII.—Ver. 1. 3, 4. 6.

The Lord himself, the mighty Lord,
Vouchsafes to be my guide;
The shepherd by whose constant care
My wants are all supplied.

He does my wand'ring soul reclaim,
And, to his endless praise,
Instruct with humble zeal to walk
In His most righteous ways.

I pass the gloomy vale of death,
From fear and danger free;
For there His aiding rod and staff
Defend and comfort me.

Since God doth thus His wond'rous love
Through all my life extend;
That life to Him I will devote,
And in His temple spend.

PSALM XXIV.—Part I.—Ver. 1. 3, 4, 5.

THIS spacious earth is all the LORD's,
The LORD's her fulness is:
The world and they that dwell therein
By sov'reign right are His.

But for Himself this LORD of all
One chosen seat design'd;
O! who shall to that sacred hill
Deserv'd admittance find?

The man whose hands and heart are pure,
Whose thoughts from pride are free;
Who honest poverty prefers
To gainful perjury.

This, this is he, on whom the LORD
Shall show'r His blessings down;
Whom GOD his Saviour shall vouchsafe
With righteousness to crown.

PSALM XXIV.—Part II.—Ver. 7, 8, 9, 10.

LIFT up your heads, eternal gates;
Unfold, to entertain
The King of Glory; See! He comes
With His celestial train.

Who is the King of Glory? Who?
The LORD, for strength renown'd;
In battle mighty! o'er His foes
Eternal victor crown'd.

Lift up your heads, ye gates unfold,
In state to entertain
The King of Glory: See! He comes
With all His shining train.

Who is the King of Glory? Who?
The LORD of hosts renown'd,
Of glory He alone is King,
Who is with glory crown'd.

PSALM XXV.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

To GOD in whom I trust,
I lift my heart and voice;
O! let me not be put to shame,
Nor let my foes rejoice.

Those who on Thee rely
Let not disgrace attend:
Be that the shameful lot of such
Who wilfully offend.

To me Thy truth impart,
And lead me in Thy way:
For Thou art He that brings me help:
On Thee I wait all day.

Thy mercies and Thy love,
O LORD, recal to mind;
And graciously continue still
As Thou wert ever kind.

PSALM XXVII.—Part I.—Ver. 7, 8, 9, 10.

CONTINUE, LORD, to hear my voice,
Whene'er to Thee I cry:
In mercy my complaints receive,
Nor my request deny.

When us to seek Thy glorious face
Thou kindly dost advise;
"Thy glorious face I'll always seek,"
My grateful heart replies.

Then hide not Thou Thy face, O LORD,
Nor me in wrath reject:
My GOD and Saviour, leave not him
Thou didst so oft protect.

Tho' all my friends and kindred too
Their helpless charge forsake:
Yet Thou whose love excels them all
Wilt care and pity take.

PSALM XXVII.—Part II.—Ver. 11. 13, 14.
With Gloria Patri.

INSTRUCT me in Thy paths, O LORD,
My ways directly guide;
Lest envious men, who watch my steps,
Should see me tread aside.

I trusted that my future life
Should with Thy love be crown'd;
Or else my fainting soul had sunk,
With sorrow compass'd round.

GOD's time with patient faith expect,
Who will inspire thy breast
With inward strength: do thou thy part,
And leave to Him the rest.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The GOD whom we adore;
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM XXVIII.—Ver. 7, 8, 9.

MY heart its confidence repos'd
In GOD, my strength and shield;
In Him I trusted, and return'd
Triumphant from the field.

As He hath made my joys complete,
'Tis just that I should raise
The cheerful tribute of my thanks,
And thus resound His praise.

"His aiding power supports the troops
"That my just cause maintain;
"'Twas He advanc'd me to the throne;
"'Tis He secures my reign."

Preserve Thy chosen, and proceed
Thy heritage to bless:
With plenty prosper them in peace,
In battle with success.

PSALM XXX.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

I'LL celebrate Thy praises, LORD,
Who didst Thy pow'r employ
To raise my drooping head, and check
My foes' insulting joy.

In my distress I cry'd to Thee,
Who kindly didst relieve;
And from the grave's expecting jaws
My hopeless life retrieve.

Thus to His courts ye saints of His
With songs of praise repair;
With me commemorate His truth,
And providential care.

His wrath has but a moment's reign,
His favour no decay;
Your night of grief is recompens'd
With joy's returning day.

PSALM XXXIII.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 6. 8, 9. 11.

LET all the just to GOD with joy
Their cheerful voices raise;
For well the righteous it becomes
To sing glad songs of praise.

By His almighty word at first
The heav'nly arch was rear'd;
And all the beauteous hosts of light
At His command appear'd.

Let earth and all that dwell therein
Before Him trembling stand:
For when He spake the word 'twas made;
'Twas fix'd at His command.

Whate'er the mighty LORD decrees
Shall stand for ever sure;
The settled purpose of His heart
To ages shall endure.

PSALM XXXIII.—Part II.—Ver. 1. 18, 19, 20, 21, 22.

Let all the just to God with joy
Their cheerful voices raise;
For well the righteous it becomes
To sing glad songs of praise.

'Tis God who those that trust in Him
Beholds with gracious eyes:
He frees their souls from death; their want
In time of dearth supplies.

Our souls on God with patience wait;
Our help and shield is He:
Then, Lord, let still our hearts rejoice,
Because we trust in Thee.

The riches of Thy mercy, Lord,
Do Thou to us extend;
Since we, for all we want or wish,
On Thee alone depend.

PSALM XXXIV.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4. 9.

Thro' all the changing scenes of life,
In trouble and in joy,
The praises of my God shall still
My heart and tongue employ.

Of His deliv'rance I will boast,
'Till all that are distress'd,
From my example comfort take,
And charm their griefs to rest.

O! magnify the Lord with me;
With me exalt His name:
When in distress to Him I call'd,
He to my rescue came.

Fear Him, ye saints, and you will then
Have nothing else to fear;
Make you His service your delight,
Your wants shall be His care.

PSALM XXXIV.—Part II.—Ver. 15, 16, 17, 18. 22.

THE LORD from heav'n beholds the just
With favourable eyes;
And when distress'd, His gracious ear
Is open to their cries.

But turns His wrathful look on those
Whom mercy can't reclaim,
To cut them off, and from the earth
Blot out their hated name.

Deliv'rance to His saints He gives,
When His relief they crave;
He's nigh to heal the broken heart,
And contrite spirit save.

For GOD preserves the souls of those
Who on His truth depend;
To them and their posterity,
His blessings shall descend.

PSALM XXXVI.—Ver. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.

THY justice like the hills remains,
Unfathom'd depths Thy judgments are;
Thy providence the world sustains,
The whole creation is Thy care.

Since of Thy goodness all partake,
With what assurance should the just
Thy shelt'ring wings their refuge make,
And saints to Thy protection trust.

Such guests shall to Thy courts be led,
To banquet on Thy love's repast;
And drink, as from a fountain's head,
Of joys that shall for ever last.

With Thee the springs of life remain,
Thy presence is eternal day;
O let Thy saints Thy favour gain,
To upright hearts Thy truth display.

PSALM XXXVII.—Ver. 23, 24, 25, 26. 29, 30, 31.

THE good man's way is GOD's delight,
He orders all the steps aright
Of him that moves by his command:
Tho' he may sometimes be distress'd,
Yet shall he ne'er be quite oppress'd,
For GOD upholds him with His hand.

From my first youth till age prevail'd,
I never saw the righteous fail'd,
Or want o'ertake his numerous race:
Because compassion fill'd his heart,
And he did cheerfully impart,
GOD made his offspring's wealth increase.

The upright shall possess the land,
His portion shall for ages stand;
His mouth with wisdom is supplied;
His tongue by rules of judgment moves,
His heart the law of GOD approves,
Therefore his footsteps never slide.

PSALM XXXVIII.—Ver. 1, 2. 17, 18. 21, 22.

THY chast'ning wrath, O LORD, restrain,
Tho' I deserve it all;
Nor let at once on me the storm
Of Thy displeasure fall.

In ev'ry wretched part of me
Thy arrows deep remain;
Thy heavy hand's afflicting weight
I can no more sustain.

And with continual grief oppress'd,
To sink I now begin;
To Thee, O LORD, I will confess,
To Thee bewail my sin.

Forsake me not, O LORD, my GOD,
Nor far from me depart:
Make haste to my relief, O Thou,
Who my salvation art.

PSALM XXXIX.—Part I.—Ver. 4, 5, 6, 7.

LORD, let me know my term of days,
How soon my life will end;
The num'rous train of ills disclose,
Which this frail state attend.

My life, Thou know'st, is but a span,
A cypher sums my years;
And every man, in best estate,
But vanity appears.

Man, like a shadow vainly walks,
With fruitless cares oppress'd;
He heaps up wealth, but cannot tell
By whom 'twill be possess'd.

Why then should I on worthless toys
With anxious cares attend?
On Thee alone my stedfast hope
Shall ever, LORD, depend.

PSALM XXXIX.—Part II.—Ver. 11, 12, 13.

LORD, when Thou chast'nest man for sin,
Thou mak'st his beauty fade,
(So vain a thing is he!) like cloth
By fretting moths decay'd.

LORD, hear my cry, accept my tears,
And listen to my pray'r,
Who sojourn like a stranger here,
As all my fathers were.

O! spare me yet a little time,
My wasted strength restore,
Before I vanish quite from hence,
And shall be seen no more.

PSALM XL.—Ver. 5, 6, 7, 8.

WHO can the wond'rous works recount,
Which Thou, O GOD, for us hast wrought?
The treasures of Thy love surmount
The pow'r of numbers, speech, and thought.

I've learn'd that Thou hast not desir'd
Off'rings and sacrifice alone;
Nor blood of guiltless beasts requir'd
For man's transgression to atone.

I therefore come,—come to fulfil
The oracles Thy books impart;
'Tis my delight to do Thy will,
Thy law is written in my heart.

PSALM XLI.—Ver. 1, 2. 12, 13.

HAPPY the man, whose tender care
Relieves the poor distress'd!
When troubles compass him around,
The LORD shall give him rest.

The LORD his life with blessings crown'd,
In safety shall prolong;
And disappoint the will of those
That seek to do him wrong.

Thy tender care secures my life
From danger and disgrace:
And Thou vouchsaf'st to set me still
Before Thy glorious face.

Let therefore Israel's LORD and GOD
From age to age be bless'd;
And all the people's glad applause
With loud Amens express'd.

PSALM XLII.—Ver. 1, 2. 11.

As pants the hart for cooling streams,
When heated in the chace;
So longs my soul, O GOD, for Thee,
And Thy refreshing grace.

For Thee, my GOD, the living GOD,
My thirsty soul doth pine:
O! when shall I behold Thy face,
Thou Majesty divine!

Why restless, why cast down, my soul?
Hope still; and thou shalt sing
The praise of Him who is thy GOD,
Thy health's eternal spring.

PSALM XLIII.—Ver. 3, 4, 5.—With Gloria Patri.

LET me with light and truth be blest,
Be those my guides to lead the way;
Till on Thy holy hill I rest,
And in Thy sacred temple pray.

Then will I there fresh altars raise
To GOD, who is my only joy.
And well-tun'd harps with songs of praise,
Shall all my grateful hours employ.

Why then cast down, my soul? and why
So much oppress'd with anxious care?
On GOD, thy GOD, for aid rely,
Who will thy ruin'd state repair.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom heav'n and earth adore;
Be glory, as it was of old,
Is now, and shall be evermore.

PSALM XLIV.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 8.

O Lord, our fathers oft have told
In our attentive ears,
Thy wonders in their days perform'd,
And elder times than their's.

For not their courage, nor their sword,
To them possession gave;
Nor strength that from unequal force
Their fainting troops could save.

But Thy right hand, and pow'rful arm,
Whose succour they implor'd;
Thy presence with the chosen race,
Who Thy great name ador'd.

To Thee the triumph we ascribe,
From whom the conquest came;
In God we will rejoice alway,
And ever bless His name.

PSALM XLVIII.—Ver. 1. 9, 10. 14.

The Lord, the only God, is great,
And greatly to be prais'd;
In Sion, on whose happy mount,
His sacred throne is rais'd.

Not in our fortresses and walls,
Did we, O God, confide;
But on the temple fixt our hopes,
In which Thou dost reside.

According to Thy sov'reign name,
Thy praise thro' earth extends;
Thy pow'rful arm, as justice guides,
Chastises or defends.

This God is ours, and will be ours,
Whilst we in Him confide;
Who, as He has preserv'd us now,
'Till death will be our guide.

PSALM LI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 11, 12.

HAVE mercy, LORD, on me,
As Thou wert ever kind;
Let me, oppress'd with loads of guilt,
Thy wonted mercy find.

Wash off my foul offence,
And cleanse me from my sin;
For I confess my crime, and see
How great my sins have been.

Withdraw not Thou Thy help,
Nor cast me from Thy sight;
Nor let Thy Holy Spirit take
Its everlasting flight.

The joy Thy favour gives,
Let me again obtain;
And Thy free Spirit's firm support
My fainting soul sustain.

PSALM LIV.—Ver. 1, 2. 6, 7.—With Gloria Patri.

LORD, save me for Thy glorious name,
And in Thy strength appear,
To judge my cause; accept my pray'r,
And to my words give ear;

While I my grateful off'rings bring,
And sacrifice with joy;
And in His praise my time to come
Delightfully employ.

From dreadful danger and distress,
The LORD hath set me free;
Through Him shall I of all my foes
The just destruction see.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The GOD whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM LV.—Ver. 1, 2. 4, 5. 16, 17.

Give ear, Thou Judge of all the earth,
And listen when I pray:
Nor from Thy humble suppliant turn
Thy glorious face away.

Attend to this my sad complaint,
And hear my grievous moans;
While I my mournful case declare,
With artless sighs and groans.

My heart is rack'd with pain; my soul
With deadly frights distress'd:
With fear and trembling compass'd round,
With horror quite oppress'd.

But I will call on God, who still
Shall in my aid appear;
At morn, at noon, at night, I'll pray,
And He my voice shall hear.

PSALM LVI.—Ver. 10, 11, 12, 13.—With Gloria Patri.

I'll trust God's word, and so despise
The force that man can raise;
To Thee, O God, my vows are due,
To Thee I'll render praise.

Thou hast retriev'd my soul from death;
And Thou wilt still secure
The life Thou hast so oft preserv'd,
And make my footsteps sure.

That thus protected by Thy power,
I may this light enjoy,
And in the service of my God
My lengthen'd days employ.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM LVII.—Ver. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11.

O GOD, my heart is fix'd, 'tis bent
Its thankful tribute to present;
And, with my heart, my voice I'll raise,
To Thee, my GOD, in songs of praise.

Awake, my glory: harp and lute,
No longer let your strings be mute;
And I, my tuneful part to take,
Will with the early dawn awake.

Thy praises, LORD, I will resound
To all the list'ning nations round;
Thy mercy highest heav'n transcends,
Thy truth beyond the clouds extends.

Be Thou, O GOD, exalted high;
And as Thy glory fills the sky,
So let it be on earth display'd,
'Till Thou art here, as there obey'd.

PSALM LXVI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

LET all the lands with shouts of joy,
To GOD their voices raise;
Sing psalms in honour of His name,
And spread His glorious praise.

And let them say, How dreadful, LORD,
In all Thy works art Thou!
To Thy great pow'r Thy stubborn foes
Shall all be forc'd to bow.

Through all the earth the nations round
Shall Thee their GOD confess,
And with glad hymns their awful dread
Of Thy great name express.

O! come, behold the works of GOD,
And then with me you'll own,
That He to all the sons of men
Has wond'rous judgment shown.

PSALM LXVII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

To bless Thy chosen race,
In mercy, LORD, incline;
And cause the brightness of Thy face
On all Thy saints to shine.

That so Thy wond'rous way
May through the world be known;
While distant lands their tribute pay,
And Thy salvation own.

Let diff'ring nations join
To celebrate Thy fame;
Let all the world, O LORD, combine
To praise Thy glorious name.

O let them shout and sing
With joy and pious mirth;
For Thou the righteous Judge and King
Shalt govern all the earth.

PSALM LXXI.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 6. 9.

IN Thee I put my stedfast trust,
Defend me, LORD, from shame;
Incline Thine ear, and save my soul,
For righteous is Thy name.

Be Thou my strong abiding place,
To which I may resort;
'Tis Thy decree that keeps me safe,
Thou art my rock and fort.

Thy constant care did safely guard
My tender infant days;
Thou took'st me from my mother's womb,
To sing Thy constant praise.

Reject not then Thy servant, LORD,
When I with age decay:
Forsake me not, when worn with years,
My vigour fades away.

PSALM LXXI.—Part II.—Ver. 17. 19, 20, 21.

THOU, LORD, hast taught me from my youth,
To praise Thy glorious name;
And ever since Thy wond'rous works
Have been my constant theme.

How high Thy justice soars, O GOD!
How great and wond'rous are
The mighty works which Thou hast done!
Who may with Thee compare?

Me, whom Thy hand has sorely press'd,
Thy grace shall yet relieve;
And from the lowest depth of woe
With tender care retrieve.

Through Thee my time to come shall be
With pow'r and greatness crown'd;
And me, who dismal years have pass'd,
Thy comforts shall surround.

PSALM LXXII.—Ver. 17, 18, 19.

THE mem'ry of GOD'S glorious name
Thro' endless years shall run;
His spotless fame shall shine as bright
And lasting as the sun.

In Him the nations of the world
Shall be completely bless'd,
And His unbounded happiness
By every tongue confess'd.

Then bless'd be GOD, the mighty LORD,
The GOD whom Israel fears;
Who only wond'rous in His works
Beyond compare appears.

Let earth be with His glory fill'd;
For ever bless His name;
Whilst to His praise the list'ning world
Their glad assent proclaim.

PSALM LXXIII.—Ver. 25, 26, 27, 28.

LORD, whom in heav'n but Thee alone
Have I, whose favour I require?
Throughout the spacious earth there's none
That I besides Thee can desire.

My trembling flesh and aching heart,
May often fail to succour me;
But GOD shall inward strength impart,
And my eternal portion be.

For they that far from Thee remove,
Shall into sudden ruin fall:
If after other gods they rove,
Thy vengeance shall destroy them all.

But as for me, 'tis good and just
That I should still to GOD repair;
In Him I always put my trust,
And will His wond'rous works declare.

PSALM LXXXI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

To GOD, our never-failing-strength,
With loud applauses sing;
And jointly make a cheerful noise
To Jacob's awful King.

Compose a hymn of praise, and touch
Your instruments of joy;
Let psalteries and pleasant harps
Your grateful skill employ.

Let trumpets at the great new moon
Their joyful voices raise
To celebrate th' appointed time,
The solemn day of praise.

For this a statute was of old,
Which Jacob's GOD decreed
To be with pious care observ'd
By Israel's chosen seed.

PSALM LXXXIV.—Ver. 1, 2, 5. 10.

O GOD of Hosts, the mighty LORD,
How lovely is the place
Where Thou, inthron'd in glory, shew'st
The brightness of Thy face!

My longing soul faints with desire
To view Thy blest abode:
My panting heart and flesh cry out
For Thee the living GOD.

Thrice happy they, whose choice has Thee
Their sure protection made:
Who long to tread the sacred ways
That to Thy dwelling lead.

For in Thy courts one single day
'Tis better to attend,
Than, LORD, in any place besides
A thousand days to spend.

PSALM LXXXV.—Ver. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13.

To all that fear GOD's holy name
His sure salvation's near;
And in its former happy state,
Our nation shall appear.

But mercy now with truth is join'd,
And righteousness with peace:
Like kind companions, absent long,
With friendly arms embrace.

Truth from the earth shall spring, whilst Heav'n
Shall streams of justice pour;
And GOD, from whom all goodness flows,
Shall endless plenty show'r.

Before Him righteousness shall march,
And His just paths prepare,
Whilst we His holy steps pursue
With constant zeal and care.

PSALM LXXXVI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4. 6.

To my complaint, O LORD, my GOD,
Thy gracious ear incline;
Hear me distress'd and destitute
Of all relief but Thine.

Do Thou, O GOD, preserve my soul
That does Thy name adore;
Thy servant keep, and him, whose trust
Relies on Thee, restore.

To me, who daily Thee invoke,
Thy mercy, LORD, extend;
Refresh Thy servant's soul, whose hopes
On Thee alone depend.

To my repeated humble pray'r,
O LORD, attentive be,
When troubled I on Thee will call;
For Thou wilt answer me.

PSALM XC.—Ver. 3, 4, 5, 6.

THOU turnest man, O LORD, to dust,
Of which he first was made;
And when Thou speak'st the word, Return,
'Tis instantly obey'd.

For in Thy sight a thousand years
Are like a day that's past;
Or like a watch in dead of night,
Whose hours unminded waste.

Thou sweep'st us off as with a flood
We vanish hence like dreams:
At first we grow like grass, that feels
The sun's reviving beams;

But howsoever fresh and fair
Its morning beauty shows,
'Tis all cut down, and wither'd quite
Before the evening close.

PSALM XCII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

How good and pleasant must it be
To thank the LORD most high;
And with repeated hymns of praise
His name to magnify.

With ev'ry morning's early dawn
His goodness to relate;
And of His constant truth, each night
The glad effects repeat!

To ten-string'd instruments we'll sing
With tuneful psalt'ries join'd;
And to the harp with solemn sounds
For sacred use design'd.

For thro' Thy wondrous works, O LORD,
Thou mak'st my heart rejoice;
The thoughts of them shall make me glad,
And shout with cheerful voice.

PSALM XCIII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

WITH glory clad, with strength array'd,
The LORD, that o'er all nature reigns,
The world's foundation strongly laid,
And the vast fabric still sustains.

How surely 'stablish'd is Thy throne!
Which shall no change or period see;
For Thou, O LORD, and Thou alone,
Art GOD from all eternity.

The floods, O LORD, lift up their voice,
And toss the troubled waves on high;
But GOD above can still their noise,
And make the angry sea comply.

Thy promise, LORD, is ever sure:
And they that in Thy house would dwell,
That happy station to secure,
Must still in holiness excel.

PSALM XCV.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 6.

O COME, loud anthems let us sing,
Loud thanks to our Almighty King:
For we our voices high should raise,
When our salvation's rock we praise.

Into His presence let us haste
To thank Him for His favours past;
To Him address in joyful songs
The praise that to His name belongs.

For GOD the LORD, enthron'd in state,
Is with unrivall'd glory great;
A King superior far to all,
Whom gods the heathens falsely call.

O let us to His courts repair,
And bow with adoration there;
Down on our knees devoutly all
Before the LORD our Maker fall.

PSALM XCVIII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

SING to the LORD a new made song,
Who wond'rous things has done;
With His right hand and holy arm
The conquest He has won.

The LORD has through th' astonish'd world
Display'd His saving might;
And made His righteous acts appear
In all the heathen's sight.

Of Israel's house His love and truth
Have ever mindful been;
Wide earth's remotest parts the pow'r
Of Israel's GOD have seen.

Let therefore earth's inhabitants
Their cheerful voices raise,
And all with universal joy
Resound their Maker's praise.

PSALM C.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

With one consent let all the earth
To God their cheerful voices raise;
Glad homage pay with awful mirth,
And sing before Him songs of praise.

Convinc'd that He is God alone,
From whom both we and all proceed;
We, whom He chuses for His own,
The flock that He vouchsafes to feed.

O enter then His temple gate,
Thence to His courts devoutly press,
And still your grateful hymns repeat,
And still His name with praises bless.

For He's the Lord supremely good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth, which always firmly stood,
To endless ages shall endure.

PSALM CII.—Ver. 1, 2. 28.

When I pour out my soul in pray'r,
Do Thou, O Lord, attend;
To Thy eternal throne of grace
Let my sad cry ascend.

O hide not Thou Thy glorious face
In times of deep distress;
Incline Thine ear, and when I call,
My sorrow soon redress.

Thou to the children of Thy saints
Shalt lasting quiet give;
Whose happy race, securely fix'd,
Shall in Thy presence live.

PSALM CIII.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4. 8, 9, 10.

My soul, inspir'd with sacred love,
God's holy name for ever bless!
Of all His favours mindful prove,
And still thy grateful thanks express.

'Tis He that all thy sins forgives,
And after sickness makes thee sound;
From danger He thy life retrieves,
By Him with grace and mercy crown'd.

The Lord abounds with tender love,
And unexampled acts of grace:
His waken'd wrath doth slowly move,
His willing mercy flies apace.

God will not always harshly chide,
But with His anger quickly part;
And loves His punishments to guide
More by His love than our desert.

PSALM CIII.—Part II.—Ver. 1, 2. 11, 12, 13.
With Gloria Patri.

My soul, inspir'd with sacred love,
God's holy name for ever bless!
Of all His favours mindful prove,
And still thy grateful thanks express.

As high as heaven its arch extends
Above this little spot of clay,
So much His boundless love transcends
The small respects that we can pay.

As far as 'tis from east to west,
So far has He our sins remov'd,
Who with a father's tender breast
Has such as fear Him always lov'd.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom earth and heav'n adore;
Be glory, as it was of old,
Is now, and shall be evermore.

PSALM CIV.—Ver. 1, 2. 33, 34.—With Gloria Patri.

BLESS GOD, my soul; Thou, LORD, alone,
Possessest empire without bounds;
With honour Thou art crown'd, Thy throne
Eternal majesty surrounds.

With light Thou dost Thyself enrobe,
And glory for a garment take;
Heav'n's curtains stretch beyond the globe
Thy canopy of state to make.

In praising GOD while He prolongs
My breath, I will that breath employ;
And join devotion to my songs
Sincere, as in Him is my joy.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The GOD whom earth and heaven adore,
Be glory, as it was of old,
Is now, and shall be evermore.

PSALM CV.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

O RENDER thanks, and bless the LORD,
Invoke His sacred name:
Acquaint the nations with His deeds,
His matchless deeds proclaim.

Sing to His praise in lofty hymns,
His wond'rous works rehearse;
Make them the theme of your discourse,
And subject of your verse.

Rejoice in His Almighty name,
Alone to be ador'd;
And let their hearts o'erflow with joy,
That humbly seek the LORD.

Seek ye the LORD, His saving strength
Devoutly still implore;
And, where He's ever present, seek
His face for evermore.

PSALM CVIII.—Ver. 1, 3, 4, 5.

O God, my heart is fully bent
To magnify Thy name;
My tongue with cheerful songs of praise
Shall celebrate Thy fame.

To all the list'ning tribes, O Lord,
Thy wonders I will tell;
And to those nations sing Thy praise,
That round about us dwell.

Because Thy mercy's boundless height
The highest heav'n transcends,
And far beyond the aspiring clouds
Thy faithful truth extends.

Be Thou, O God, exalted high
Above the starry frame;
And let the world with one consent
Confess Thy glorious name.

PSALM CXI.—Ver. 1, 2, 3. 10.

Praise ye the Lord; our God to praise
My soul her utmost powers shall raise;
With private friends, and in the throng
Of saints, His praise shall be my song.

His works for greatness though renown'd,
His wond'rous works with ease are found
By those who seek for them aright,
And in the pious search delight.

His works are all of matchless fame,
And universal glory claim;
His truth confirm'd through ages past,
Shall to eternal ages last.

Who wisdom's sacred prize would win,
Must with the fear of God begin;
Immortal praise and heav'nly skill
Have they who know and do His will.

PSALM CXIII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.—With Gloria Patri.

Ye saints and servants of the Lord,
The triumphs of His name record,
His sacred name for ever bless;
Where'er the circling sun displays
His rising beams, or setting rays,
Due praise to His great name address.

God through the world extends His sway,
The regions of eternal day
But shadows of His glory are;
With Him whose majesty excels,
Who made the heav'n in which He dwells,
Let no created pow'r compare.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God, whom heaven's triumphant host,
And suffering saints on earth adore;
Be glory; as in ages past,
As now it is, and so shall last,
When time itself must be no more.

PSALM CXV.—Ver. 1. 11.—With Gloria Patri.

Lord, not to us, we claim no share,
But to Thy sacred name
Give glory for Thy mercy's sake,
And truth's eternal fame.

Let all, who truly fear the Lord,
On Him they fear rely;
Who them in danger can defend,
And all their wants supply.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM CXVI.—Ver. 1, 2. 5, 6. 12, 13. 17, 18.

My soul with grateful thoughts of love
Entirely is possest,
Because the Lord vouchsaf'd to hear
The voice of my request.

Since He has now His ear inclin'd,
I never will despair;
But still in all the straits of life
To Him address my pray'r.

How just and merciful is God!
How gracious is the Lord!
Who saves the harmless, and to me
Doth timely help afford.

Then what return to Him shall I
For all His goodness make?
I'll praise His name, and with glad zeal
The cup of blessing take.

To Thee I'll off'rings bring of praise,
And whilst I bless Thy name,
The just performance of my vows
To all Thy saints proclaim.

PSALM CXVII.—Ver. 1, 2.—With Gloria Patri.

With cheerful notes let all the earth
To heav'n their voices raise:
Let all, inspir'd with godly mirth,
Sing solemn hymns of praise.

God's tender mercy knows no bound,
His truth shall ne'er decay;
Then let the willing nations round
Their grateful tribute pay.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM CXVIII.—Ver. 1. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25.

O PRAISE the LORD, for He is good,
His mercies ne'er decay;
That His kind favours ever last,
Let thankful Israel say.

Within those gates of GOD's abode,
To which the righteous press,
Since Thou hast heard and set me free,
Thy holy name I'll bless.

That which the builders once refus'd,
Is now the corner-stone:
This is the wond'rous work of GOD,
The work of GOD alone.

This day is GOD's; let all the land
Exalt their cheerful voice:
LORD, we beseech Thee, save us now,
And make us still rejoice.

PSALM CXIX.—Part I.—Ver. 4, 5, 6, 7.

THOU strictly hast enjoined us, LORD,
To learn Thy sacred will;
And all our diligence employ
Thy statutes to fulfil.

O then that Thy most holy will
Might o'er my ways preside!
And I the course of all my life
By Thy direction guide!

Then with assurance should I walk,
From all confusion free;
Convinc'd with joy, that all my ways
With Thy commands agree.

My upright heart shall my glad mouth
With cheerful praises fill;
When by Thy righteous judgments taught
I shall have learnt Thy will.

PSALM CXIX.—Part II.—Ver. 9, 10, 11, 12.

How shall the young preserve their ways
From all pollution free?
By making still their course of life
With Thy commands agree.

With hearty zeal for Thee I seek,
To Thee for succour pray;
O! suffer not my careless steps
From Thy right paths to stray.

Safe in my heart, and closely hid,
Thy word my treasure lies;
To succour me with timely aid,
When sinful thoughts arise.

Secured by that, my grateful soul
Shall ever bless Thy name:
O! teach me then by Thy just laws
My future life to frame.

PSALM CXIX.—Part III.—Ver. 33, 34, 35. 37.

INSTRUCT me in Thy statutes, LORD,
Thy righteous paths display;
And I from them through all my life,
Will never go astray.

If Thou true wisdom from above
Wilt graciously impart,
To keep Thy perfect laws I will
Devote my zealous heart.

Direct me in Thy sacred ways,
To which Thy precepts lead;
Because my chief delight has been
Thy righteous paths to tread.

From those vain objects turn my eyes,
Which this false world displays;
But give me lively power and strength
To keep Thy righteous ways.

PSALM CXIX.—Part IV.—Ver. 57, 58, 59.
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O LORD, my GOD, my portion Thou
And sure possession art;
Thy words I stedfastly resolve
To treasure in my heart.

With all the strength of warm desire
I did Thy grace implore;
Disclose, according to Thy word,
Thy mercy's boundless store.

With due reflection and strict care
On all my ways I thought;
And so reclaim'd to Thy just paths,
My wand'ring steps I brought.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The GOD whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM CXIX.—Part V.—Ver. 169, 170, 171, 172.

To my request and earnest cry,
Attend, O gracious LORD;
Inspire my heart with heav'nly skill
According to Thy word.

Let my repeated pray'r at last
Before Thy throne appear;
According to Thy plighted word
For my relief draw near.

Then shall my grateful lips return
The tribute of their praise;
When Thou Thy counsels hast reveal'd
And taught me Thy just ways.

My tongue the praises of Thy word
Shall thankfully resound;
Because Thy promises are all
With truth and justice crown'd.

PSALM CXXI.—Ver. 1, 2. 7, 8.—With Gloria Patri.

To Sion's hill I lift my eyes,
From thence expecting aid:
From Sion's hill and Sion's GOD,
Who heav'n and earth has made.

From common accidents of life
His care shall guard thee still:
From the blind strokes of chance, and foes
That lie in wait to kill.

At home, abroad, in peace, in war,
Thy GOD shall thee defend;
Conduct thee thro' life's pilgrimage
Safe to thy journey's end.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The GOD whom we adore;
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM CXXV.—Ver. 1, 2. 4.—With Gloria Patri.

WHO place on Sion's GOD their trust,
Like Sion's rock shall stand;
Like her immoveable be fix'd,
By His Almighty hand.

Look how the hills on every side
Jerusalem inclose;
So stands the LORD around His saints,
To guard them from their foes.

Be good, O righteous GOD, to those
Who righteous deeds affect:
The heart that innocence retains,
Let innocence protect.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The GOD whom we adore;
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM CXXX.—Ver. 1, 2. 5. 7, 8.

From lowest depths of woe
To God I sent my cry:
Lord, hear my supplicating voice,
And graciously reply.

My soul with patience waits
For Thee the living Lord;
My hopes are on Thy promise built,
Thy never-failing word.

Let Israel trust in God,
No bounds His mercy knows;
The plenteous source and spring from whence
Eternal succour flows.

Whose friendly streams to us
Supplies in want convey;
A healing spring, a spring to cleanse,
And wash our guilt away.

PSALM CXXXIII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

How vast must their advantage be,
How great their pleasure prove,
Who live like brethren, and consent
In offices of love!

True love is like that precious oil,
Which, pour'd on Aaron's head,
Ran down his beard, and o'er his robes
Its costly moisture shed.

'Tis like refreshing dew which doth
On Hermon's top distil;
Or like the early drops that fall
On Sion's fruitful hill.

For Sion is the chosen seat,
Where the Almighty King
The promis'd blessing has ordain'd,
And life's eternal spring.

PSALM CXXXIV.—Ver. 1, 2, 3.—With Gloria Patri.

Bless God, ye servants that attend
Upon His solemn state,
That in His temple night by night,
With humble rev'rence wait.

Within His house lift up your hands,
And bless His holy name;
From Sion bless Thy Israel, Lord,
Who earth and heav'n didst frame.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The God whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM CXXXV.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.

O praise the Lord, with one consent,
And magnify His name;
Let all the servants of the Lord
His worthy praise proclaim.

Praise Him all ye that in His house
Attend with constant care;
With those that to His constant courts
With humble zeal repair.

For this our truest int'rest is
Glad hymns of praise to sing;
And with loud songs to bless His name
A most delightful thing.

For God His own peculiar choice
The sons of Jacob makes;
And Israel's offspring for His own
Most valu'd treasure takes.

PSALM CXXXVIII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3.—With Gloria Patri.

WITH my whole heart, my GOD and King,
Thy praise I will proclaim;
With joyful lips to Thee I'll sing,
And bless Thy holy name.

I'll worship at Thy sacred seat,
And with Thy love inspir'd,
The praises of Thy truth repeat,
O'er all Thy works admir'd.

Thou graciously inclin'dst Thine ear
When I to Thee did cry;
And when my soul was press'd with fear,
Didst inward strength supply.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The GOD whom we adore,
Be glory, as it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

PSALM CXXXIX.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

THOU, LORD, by strictest search hast known,
My rising up and lying down;
My secret thoughts are known to Thee,
Known long before conceiv'd by me.

Thine eye my bed and path surveys,
My public haunts and private ways;
Thou know'st what 'tis my lips would vent,
My yet unutter'd words intent.

Surrounded by Thy pow'r I stand,
On ev'ry side I find Thy hand;
O skill, for human reach too high,
Too dazzling bright for mortal eye!

O could I so perfidious be,
To think of once forsaking Thee;
Where, LORD, could I Thy influence shun?
Or whither from Thy presence run?

PSALM CXLIII.—Ver. 1, 2. 10, 11.

LORD, hear my pray'r, and to my cry,
Thy wonted audience lend;
In Thy accustom'd faith and truth
A gracious answer send.

Nor at Thy strict tribunal bring
Thy servant to be try'd;
For in Thy sight no living man
Can e'er be justify'd.

Thou art my GOD, Thy righteous will
Instruct me to obey;
Let Thy good Spirit lead and keep
My soul in Thy right way.

O! for the sake of Thy great name,
Revive my drooping heart;
For Thy truth's sake, to me distress'd
Thy promis'd aid impart.

PSALM CXLV.—Part I.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

THEE I will bless, my GOD and King,
Thy endless praise proclaim?
This tribute daily I will bring,
And ever bless Thy name.

Thou, LORD, beyond compare art great,
And highly to be prais'd;
Thy Majesty, with boundless height,
Above our knowledge rais'd.

Renown'd for mighty acts, Thy fame
To future time extends;
From age to age Thy glorious name
Successively descends.

Whilst I Thy glory and renown,
And wond'rous works express,
The world with me Thy might shall own,
And Thy great pow'r confess.

PSALM CXLV.—Part II.—Ver. 17, 18, 19, 20, 21.

How holy is the LORD, how just,
How righteous all His ways!
How nigh to Him, who with firm trust
For His assistance prays!
He grants the full desire of those
Who Him with fear adore;
And will their troubles still compose
When they His aid implore.

The LORD preserves all those with care
Whom grateful love employs;
But sinners, who His vengeance dare,
With furious rage destroys.

My time to come, in praises spent,
Shall still advance His fame;
And all mankind with one consent
For ever bless His name.

PSALM CXLVI.—Ver. 6, 7, 8. 10.

THE LORD, who made both heav'n and earth,
And all that they contain,
Will never quit His stedfast truth,
Nor make His promise vain.

The poor, opprest, from all their wrongs
Are eas'd by His decree;
He gives the hungry needful food,
And sets the pris'ners free.

By Him the blind receive their sight,
The weak and fall'n He rears;
With kind regard and tender love
He for the righteous cares.

The GOD that doth in Sion dwell
Is our eternal King;
From age to age His reign endures
Let all His praises sing.

PSALM CXLVII.—Ver. 1. 3, 4, 5, 6. 11.

O PRAISE the LORD with hymns of joy,
And celebrate His fame!
For pleasant, good, and comely 'tis
To praise His holy name.

He kindly heals the broken hearts,
And all their wounds doth close;
He tells the number of the stars,
Their several names He knows.

Great is the LORD, and great His pow'r,
His wisdom has no bound;
The meek He raises, and throws down
The wicked to the ground.

And He to him that fears His name;
His tender love extends;
To him that on His boundless grace
With steadfast hope depends.

PSALM CXLVIII.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

YE boundless realms of joy,
Exalt your Maker's fame;
His praise your song employ,
Above the starry frame.
Your voices raise,
Ye Cherubim
And Seraphim,
To sing His praise.

Thou moon that rul'st the night,
And sun that guid'st the day,
Ye glitt'ring stars of light,
To Him your homage pay.
His praise declare,
Ye heav'ns above,
And clouds that move
In liquid air.

Let them adore the LORD,
And praise His holy name;
By whose Almighty word
They all from nothing came.
And all shall last,
From changes free,
His firm decree
Stands ever fast.

PSALM CXLIX.—Ver. 1, 2, 3, 4.—With Gloria Patri.

O praise ye the LORD,
Prepare your glad voice,
His praise in the great
Assembly to sing;
In our great Creator,
Let Isr'el rejoice;
And children of Sion
Be glad in their King.

Let them His great name
Extol in the dance;
With timbrel and harp
His praises express;
Who always takes pleasure
His saints to advance,
And with His salvation
The humble to bless.

By angels in heav'n
Of ev'ry degree,
And saints upon earth,
All praise be address'd,
To GOD, Three in person,
One GOD ever blest;
As it has been, now is,
And always shall be.

PSALM CL.—Ver. 1, 2, 6.—With Gloria Patri.

O PRAISE the LORD in that bless'd place,
From whence His goodness largely flows;
Praise Him in heav'n, where He His face
Unveil'd in perfect glory shews.

Praise Him on earth for all the acts
Which He on our behalf hath done;
His kindness this return exacts,
With which our praise should equal run.

Let all that vital breath enjoy,
The breath He doth to them afford,
In just returns of praise employ,
Let ev'ry creature praise the LORD.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
The GOD whom heaven and earth adore,
Be glory, as it was of old,
Is now, and shall be evermore.

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Keep thy Foot when thou goeſt to the Houſe of God, and be more ready to hear, than to give the Sacrifice of Fools; for they conſider not that they do Evil. ECCLES. v. 1.

I will pray with the Spirit, and I will pray with the Underſtanding alſo. 1 COR. xiv. 15.

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IT is grievous to consider how many Christians there are (if such as they deserve the Name of Christians) who come not to Church at all, or very seldom, to pay that public Duty and Worship to GOD, which our Religion calls for, and the Laws of our Country enjoin. And even of those who do come, we find too many behaving themselves in such a careless Manner, as if the Worship of GOD was either not their business there, or not worth minding.—Some *sit* all the Time of Prayers; or put themselves into such other lazy and irreverent Postures, as shew sufficiently they have no Sense of what they should be doing, nor any Awe or Reverence of the glorious Being they come to address. Others lay themselves to *sleep*, or trifle away their Time in thinking of their worldly Affairs. Others gaze and stare about upon the Congregation, or keep talking and whispering with their Neighbours; and this is especially observable while the *Lessons* are reading: as if the Holy Scriptures, though given by *Inspiration* of God, were not always to be *heard, marked, learned, and inwardly digested*, that

ſo they may anſwer the Ends for which they were written, and become *profitable for Doctrine, for Reproof, for Correction, for Inſtruction in Righteouſneſs;* or in one Word *good to the Uſe of Edifying*, 1 Tim. iii. 16. With regard to ſuch cold and careleſs Worſhippers, we may apply to the Church what *Jacob* ſaid of *Bethel: Surely the Lord is in this Place, and they know it not.* They do not conſider, that they are in the immediate Preſence of GOD, and that by ſuch a Behaviour they affront Him to his Face, while they ſhould be devoutly attending to his Word, or praying to him.

Others there are, who do indeed ſhow ſome Inclination to mind the Prayers, and all the reſt of the Service; but they do it with ſo much Ignorance, Diſtraction, or Confuſion, as diſcover that they do not rightly underſtand the Difference between one Part of the Service and another; or conſider, that ſome are *Prayers*, ſome *Praiſes* and *Thankſgivings*, ſome Public *Profeſſions* of the Chriſtian Faith, and ſome no more than *Inſtructions*, *Commands*, or *Exhortations* to the People. We often find them repeating after the Miniſter what he alone ſhould ſpeak, and they ſhould only hearken to. They are alſo apt, when they join in the Prayers, to ſay them after him ſo loud, as muſt needs be troubleſome, and diſturb thoſe that are near them. Now that ſuch well diſpoſed Perſons may be taught how to order their Devotions better, and to worſhip GOD not only with the *Spirit*, but with the *Underſtanding* too, the following Directions are earneſtly recommended to their Conſideration and Practice.

Firſt then, Have a conſcientious Regard to this *Advice of Solomon*, (to whom GOD gave a *wiſe and underſtanding Heart*) *Keep thy Foot when thou goeſt to the Houſe of* GOD; and ſo look to every Step you take

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in your Approach to it, that you come into his more *immediate* Preſence with ſuch Contemplations, Meditations, and Reflections in your Mind, as will lift up your Soul unto Him, under an awful and juſt Senſe of his divine Majeſty and Perfections; and with that *humble* and *contrite* Spirit, which dependant Creatures, and miſerable Sinners ought to have. Remember, that ſince God is a *Spirit*, your Worſhip of Him muſt be ſpiritual and reaſonable, ſincere and pure. It muſt flow from a divine and heavenly Frame of Mind. But yet, as the *whole Man* conſiſts of *Body* and *Soul* together, you muſt *glorify* him in both; (1 Cor. vi. 20.) and conſidering their natural Union and Sympathy, you muſt take ſuch Heed to every Geſture and Poſture of your Body, as that they may be ſuch as will beſt expreſs your Humility, Reverence, and Earneſtneſs; and keep up ſuitable Thoughts and Affections in your Soul. Particularly, you will, I believe, hence think that a *kneeling Poſture is moſt* proper; being that which Nature ſeems to dictate in ſolemn Adorations and humble Confeſſions, without this expreſs Call for it from the inſpired Pſalmiſt, (*Pſal.* xcv. 6.) *O come, let us worſhip, and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.* But,

Secondly, If you are thus prepared to *worſhip* God in *Spirit* and in *Truth*, you will then be ſure to go ſo early to his Houſe, as to be there at the very Beginning of the Service: Since the ſame Obligation lies upon you to attend every Part of his public Worſhip, as to come to Church at all. For if you miſs the Beginning of it, you loſe the Opportunity of confeſſing your Sins, and the Comfort of hearing your Pardon declared and pronounced to you thereupon. Beſide that, by coming late, you diſturb the Congregation to make Way for you. Take

Care alſo not to leave the Church, without great Neceſſity, till after the Miniſter has given the *Bleſſing* that concludes the whole Service; for if you go out before, you will ſeem to deſpiſe the *Bleſſing*; and if you do ſo, you cannot expect the *Grace* and *Peace* of GOD ſhould go along with you. But,

Thirdly, Having as ſoon as you can, gotten a convenient Opportunity after your Entrance into the Church, *fall down* upon your Knees in *private* Prayer to GOD, for the Aſſiſtance of his Spirit in thoſe ſolemn Duties of Religion you come to perform. You will behave as in his Sight; you will look upon Him as obſerving what you *think*, as well as what you *ſay* and *do*: and take Care all the while you are at Church, that the *inward* Diſpoſitions of your *Soul*, and the *outward* Demeanour of your *Body*, be ſuch as becometh not only the Holineſs and Worſhip of his Houſe, but his more immediate Preſence.

In *Prayer*, you will fix your Thoughts wholly upon GOD who alone *heareth Prayer*; you will diſengage your Mind from all worldly Concerns; you will keep your Eyes from wandering, and your Lips from diſturbing others in their Devotion.

In *Thankſgiving*, imprint upon your Heart a juſt and lively Senſe of GOD's Goodneſs and Loving Kindneſs to yourſelf and to all Men; ſince you will then *feel how joyful and pleaſant a Thing it is to be thankful*. Pſalm cxlvii. 1.

In hearing of God's Word, (whether it be read or preached) be not only attentive to it, but inwardly digeſt it, by applying to your own Conſcience its *general* Admonitions, Reproof, or Exhortations; and by treaſuring up in your Memory its Precepts and Examples, its Promiſes and Threatenings, for the conſtant and right *ordering* of your *Converſation*.

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In *Singing Pſalms*, let your *Underſtanding* and *Spirit* direct and govern the *Melody* of your *Voice*, that ſo your Heart may be no leſs filled with Grace, than your Tongue with Joy. And,

Laſtly, In *Receiving the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper*, remember always the exceeding great Love of our Maſter and only Saviour in dying for us, and the innumerable Benefits which by his precious Bloodſhedding He hath obtained for us. For you will then at all Times draw near to receive it with Faith, with a penitent and obedient Heart in Love and Charity with all Mankind, and with a determined Reſolution to forſake thoſe Sins which brought Him even to the Death upon the Croſs; which will likewiſe engage you to ſerve Him in true Holineſs and Righteouſneſs all the Days of your Life.

But beſide theſe *general* Directions for the *Public Worſhip* of GOD, there are others, which *particularly* concern a devout and proper Uſe of the Book of *Common Prayer*, appointed by the *Church of England*; and which will require your immediate Attention to the Nature and Order of every Part in that Service.

Now the firſt Thing done by the Miniſter, is to read ſome *Sentences* out of the Holy Scriptures. Hearken diligently to theſe: and conſider them as ſpoken by the *Inſpiration* or *Command* of GOD himſelf at firſt, and now repeated by his *Miniſter*, to put you in Mind of ſomething which he would have you believe or do. For they are all ſuch Sentences as not only bring our Sins againſt Him to our Remembrance, but alſo his Promiſes of Pardon and Forgiveneſs if we do repent; ſo that we may wor- *The Sentences.*

ſhip Him with that Reverence and godly Fear, which becomes thoſe who are ſenſible of their own Sinfulneſs and Unworthineſs to approach his divine Majeſty; and likewiſe with that Faith and humble Confidence which become thoſe, who believe that upon our Repentance He will pardon and accept us, according to his Promiſes.

The Exhortation. Then follows a ſolemn *Exhortation*. Now while this is reading (which is the Miniſter's Part alone, and not to be repeated after Him by the Congregation) take particular Notice of every Word and Expreſſion in it, as contrived on purpoſe to prepare you for the Worſhip of GOD, by poſſeſſing your Minds with a due Senſe of his ſpecial Preſence, and of the great End of your coming before him at this Time; which will no doubt compoſe your Thoughts for that Part of the Service which follows next; I mean an humble *Confeſſion* of your Sins.

The Confeſſion. But here, while you are *confeſſing* to GOD with your Mouth, and repeating Sentence by Sentence after the Miniſter, be ſure to do the ſame in your Heart; calling to Mind as many as you can of thoſe particular Sins which you have been guilty of; either by *doing what you ought not to do*, or *not doing what you ought;* ſo as to be heartily ſorry for them, and ſteadfaſtly to reſolve againſt them for the Time to come; imploring his Mercy in the Pardon of them, and his Grace that from hence forward you may entirely forſake them, and bring forth the Fruits of an unfeigned Repentance.

The *Confeſſion* ended, and you continuing upon your Knees, the Miniſter ſtands up, and in the Name

Name of GOD declares and pronounces Pardon and Forgiveneſs to all that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Goſpel. But while the *Abſolution* is thus pronouncing, you are to hearken to it with perfect Silence, not *reading* or *repeating* it along with the Miniſter, as many ignorant or unthinking People do; for it is the Miniſter's duty alone to make his Declaration by Authority from GOD; and, in his Name, as his Ambaſſador. However, every particular Perſon there preſent, ought humbly and thankfully to apply it to himſelf, ſo far as to be fully perſuaded in his own Mind, that if his Conſcience tells him, that after an unfeigned and unſhaken Belief in Chriſt, he doth really and heartily repent, he will be diſcharged and abſolved from all the Sins he had before committed, as certainly as if GOD himſelf had declared it with his own Mouth, ſince his Miniſter has done it in his Name, and by his Power. *The Abſolution.*

What follows is the *Lord's Prayer*, in which the whole Congregation joins: For looking upon ourſelves as thus abſolved from our Sins, through a Faith that worketh true Repentance; we as reconciled unto God through his Son, may have ſuch *Boldneſs and Acceſs to the Throne of Divine Grace, as by the Spirit of Adoption, to cry out, Abba, Father,* (Rom. viii. 16.) in the very Form he taught us to pray, ſaying, *Our Father which art in Heaven*, &c. *The Lord's Prayer.*

This done, we are to lift up our Hearts to God in this Petition of his *Miniſter* for his Grace, *O Lord, open thou our Lips,* to which, the Anſwer is, what it ought to be, from the *People*, *And our* *Preparation for praiſing God.*

our Mouth ſhall ſhow forth thy Praiſe. Thus the Miniſter again, *O God, make ſpeed to ſave us*: the People, *O Lord, make haſte to help us.* Then immediately ſtanding up, we put ourſelves into a Poſture of *giving Praiſe to the One, living, and true* GOD; the *King of Kings, and Lord of Lords.* For which Purpoſe the Miniſter firſt ſays, *Glory be to the Father*, &c. the People, to ſhew their Conſent, anſwer, *As it was in the Beginning*, &c. The Miniſter calling again upon the People, *Praiſe ye the Lord*; and the People anſwering, *The Lord's Name be praiſed*: We go on accordingly to praiſe him, by ſaying or ſinging the Ninety-fifth *Pſalm*, and then the Pſalms appointed for the Day. After every one of which to teſtify that it is the ſame divine Being, three Perſons and one GOD, in Honour of whom theſe Pſalms were compoſed, and made uſe of in the *Jewiſh* Church; (and who is ſtill praiſed and worſhipped by them in the Chriſtian Church) we repeat that incomparable Hymn, *Glory be to the Father*, &c. Now while you, together with the Miniſter, are repeating theſe *Pſalms*, and this or the other *Hymns* that are uſed in different Places of the Service, to the Honour and Glory of GOD; obſerve the Miniſter's Part as well as your own, and lift up your Hearts together with your Voices, in acknowledging, magnifying, and praiſing the infinite Wiſdom and Power, and Goodneſs, and Glory of the moſt High GOD in all his Works, the Wonders that he has done, and ſtill does, for the Children of Men, and for yourſelf amongſt the reſt. And in doing this you *ſtand up;* not only to ſignify, but to forward the lifting up of your Mind at the ſame Time. For as on the one Hand if our Souls be really lifted up to contemplate

The Pſalms and Hymns.

contemplate and praiſe GOD, our Bodies will naturally riſe in that erect Poſture, which is natural to, and moſt becometh Man; ſo on the other Hand, the raiſing up of our Bodies helps towards the raiſing up of our Souls too, by putting us in mind of that high and heavenly Work, we are about; wherein, according to our weak Capacities, we join with Saints and Angels above in praiſing GOD now, as we hope to do hereafter in their bleſſed Company for evermore.

The Scriptures read.

When GOD's *Word* is reading in either of the Chapters, whether of the Old or New Teſtament, receive it not as the Word of Men, but, as it is in Truth, the Word of GOD *which effectually worketh in them that believe*, 1 Theſſ. ii. 13. And therefore hearken to it with the ſame Attention, Reverence, and Faith, as you would have done, if you had ſtood by Mount *Sinai*, when GOD proclaimed the Law, or by our Saviour's Side, when he publiſhed the Goſpel. But remember alſo, that you hear in order to practiſe; and *be ye Doers of the Word, and not Hearers only, deceiving your own ſelves*, James i. 22. Obſerve in thoſe Parts of Scripture that are read to you, what Sins Almighty God there warns you againſt; what Duties He there requires you to perform; what Doctrines he there teaches you; and be ſure that when you go Home, you think of them, and live accordingly.

Hymns after the Leſſons.

As ſoon as the *Firſt Leſſon* is read, and again after the *Second*, we renew our devout Praiſes to GOD in certain *Hymns* appointed for that Purpoſe. And then with one Heart and Voice we all repeat the *Apoſtles' Creed*, or that of St. *Athanaſius*, upon the Days our Church

The Creed.

has ordered it, to signify and declare our Assent to and firm Belief of the whole Scriptures, but especially of the Gospel of Christ. Many ignorant People seem to take the Creed to be a Prayer, and repeat it as such, which is a very gross Mistake. It is not a Prayer, but only a solemn acknowledgment and Profession of our Faith, or what we do believe as Christians. And by repeating it here, we do in the Face of the Congregation profess ourselves to continue in the Number of Christ's Disciples; and that as we were at first baptized, so we still believe in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, One GOD, blessed for ever. And this also we do *standing*, to signify our Readiness to defend this Faith, to the utmost of our Power, against all Opposition whatsoever. Be sure, therefore, that you really believe every Article as you pronounce it, that you be not found Dissemblers and Hypocrites in the Sight of God: and when you stand up to repeat the Creed, let it be your serious Purpose to continue in that good Profession, and to stand by it, and *hold it fast without wavering*, (Heb. x. 23.) under all Persecutions, if you shall be called at any Time to suffer for it.

The Prayers or Collects. Preparation thereto.

The next Thing we do, is to make known our Wants and present our Petitions unto GOD. But seeing that neither Minister nor People can possibly do it aright without the Grace and Assistance of God himself; the Minister first prays for his special Presence with the People, saying, *The Lord be with you*; and they put up the same Petition for the Minister, answering him, *And with thy Spirit.* Upon which they all immediately adore God, and beg for Mercy from each Person of the blessed

bleſſed Trinity, ſaying *Lord have Mercy upon us: Chriſt have Mercy upon us: Lord have Mercy upon us.* And having again addreſſed ourſelves to God in that moſt perfect Form which Chriſt himſelf hath taught us, *the Lord's Prayer*, the Miniſter and People by Turns lift up their Hearts to God in ſome ſhort and devout *Ejaculation:* ſtriving as it were to outvie each other in prevailing with the Almighty to pour down his Bleſſings upon us. Then in an humble and ſolemn Manner we join together in petitioning the divine Majeſty for his Grace and Favour, his Defence and Protection, his Mercy and Bleſſings, for ourſelves, for the King, for the Royal Family, for the Church, and for all Mankind. This we ordinarily do in the *Collects* appointed for that Purpoſe; but upon *Wedneſday*, *Friday*, and the *Lord's Day* Morning, we do it in the *Litany;* and in ſuch a Litany as comprehends all and every Thing that we need to deſire of Almighty GOD, either for ourſelves or others.

Short Ejaculations, or Petitions.

Joint Prayers or Collects.

The Litany.

While theſe Prayers are reading, we ought devoutly to continue upon our Knees; not ſitting, or in any other ſlothful Poſture as too many profanely and irreverently do. See therefore that as you come to Church to pray to GOD, you do it in that awful, lowly, and ſolemn Manner which becomes Creatures, when you ſpeak to your Great and Almighty Creator. And although you ought not to repeat the Prayers aloud to the Diſturbance of other People, yet you muſt repeat them in your Hearts your Minds accompanying the Miniſter from one Prayer to another, and

Reverence and Devotion in theſe Prayers.

and from one Part of each Prayer to the other, all along with Affections ſuitable to the Matter ſounding in your Ears; humbly adoring and praiſing God, according to the Names, Properties, and Works which were attributed to Him at the Beginning of each Prayer; earneſtly deſiring the good Things which were aſked of Him in the Body of it, for yourſelves or others; and ſteadfaſtly believing in the Merits and Interceſſion of Jeſus Chriſt for your obtaining of them, when He is named, as He is at the End of every Prayer, except that of St. *Chryſoſtom*, becauſe that is directed immediately to Chriſt himſelf. At the Concluſion of every Collect alſo, you are to teſtify your ſincere joining in it; and your earneſt deſire of a Share in the Bleſſings prayed for, by a ſolemn *Amen*; which ſignifies *So be it*; or *Thus I heartily pray God it may be.* But in the Litany, the like Aſſent is ſignified by the *Anſwers* which the People are directed to make in their proper Places; As *Good Lord deliver us*; that is, from all thoſe Sins or other Evils, which the Miniſter has juſt before mentioned.—*We beſeech thee to hear us, good Lord*; that is to grant thoſe Bleſſings which the Miniſter has juſt now recommended to our Deſires. By theſe we do expreſsly, and more at large, make the ſeveral Petitions recited before the Miniſter, our own Petitions and Requeſts to GOD.

Amen.

Anſwers in the Litany.

And having thus in the Collects or Litany prayed for all neceſſary Bleſſings for ourſelves and others, it is but fit we ſhould praiſe Him alſo for thoſe Mercies we have already received; and give Thanks not only in Behalf of ourſelves, but according to the Apoſtle's Direction, for

The general Thankſgiving.

for *all Mankind*; which we do, toward the End of the Service, in the *general Thankſgiving*. Here, if we have any ſpecial or particular Mercy to bleſs GOD for, upon our own Account, let us gratefully remember it, and ſecretly in our own Hearts return our Praiſes for it, when we come to that Paſſage, *Thy Goodneſs and Loving Kindneſs to us, and to all Men*. But let us ſtir up ourſelves to the utmoſt Fervency that is poſſible, when we praiſe Him for his *ineſtimable Love in the Redemption of the World by our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, for the Means of Grace and for the Hope of Glory*. For as theſe are the greateſt Bleſſings he could beſtow upon us, the thankful Acknowledgment of them is one of the chief Ends of our coming together thus in Chriſtian Aſſemblies. And let us not only heartily pray, but ſincerely reſolve and endeavour to ſhew our Senſe of theſe, as of all GOD's other Mercies, by our holy and obedient Lives.

After this general Thankſgiving, we have the Prayer of St. *Chryſoſtom*; and then the Miniſter alone concludes with *The Grace of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt*, &c. In which Prayer is comprehended all we have deſired, or can deſire, to make us completely happy, both now, and for ever. And with this our common daily Service ends. *Concluding Prayers.*

But upon *Sundays* and *Holidays*, we proceed to the *Communion Service*; to that Part of it at leaſt which our Church enjoins to be uſed on ſuch Days, though there be no actual Communion. Now in the Prayers here, the ſame Temper and Devotion are to govern us, as in thoſe before put up; the ſame Reverence and Attention, when the *Epiſtles* and *Goſpels* are read, as when the other Scriptures (the *The Communion Service.*

(the *first* and *second* Lessons) are; the same Faith and holy Zeal and Courage, when the *Nicene* Creed is repeated, as when the *Apostles* or the *Athanasian* Creed is so. But what is most particular in this Service is, that the *Ten Commandments* are solemnly read by the Minister; and to express the greater Authority, as pronouncing them in the Name of GOD, he does it *standing*. The Congregation in the mean Time is to continue *kneeling;* not that the Commandments are a Prayer, (as some weak People fancy them to be; nor are they to be repeated after the Minister, as many ignorantly do) but because it is with a peculiar Reverence that we ought to hear this awful Declaration and Summary of GOD's Will, and of our Duty in the very Words of GOD himself, and because that at the End of each Commandment, our Church has piously directed us to beg the Mercy of GOD, in pardoning what we have been guilty of against the Rule of that Commandment, and his Grace to keep it better for the future, in these Words, *Lord have Mercy upon us, and incline our Hearts to keep this Law;* which being a Prayer, ought to be humbly offered upon our Knees. Be very serious therefore when the Commandments are read; and think as the Minister goes along in every one of them, whether you have not offended God, by Thought, Word, or Deed, in something contrary to that Commandment, (for *in many Things we offend all*, as the Apostle tells us, *James* iii. 2.) And accordingly when you join with the rest of the Congregation in that short Prayer which follows each, beg Pardon of GOD with a deep and true Repentance; and, whether your Conscience accuse you or not, be serious and

Ten Commandments.

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in Earneſt when you beg of God to *incline your Heart to keep* that Article of his Law, and to *write* the Whole upon it more effectually.

This Part of the Service concludes with a *Bleſſing* (to be pronounced by the Miniſter alone, and not to be repeated after Him) which is in theſe Words: *The Peace of* GOD, *which paſſeth all Underſtanding, keep your Hearts and Minds in the Knowledge and Love of* GOD, *and of his Son Jeſus Chriſt our* LORD; *and the Bleſſing of* GOD *Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghoſt, be amongſt you, and remain with you always.* Amen.

The Bleſſing at the End of the Communion Service.

After the Bleſſing, it may be fit to continue ſtill for ſome Time upon your Knees, humbly beſeeching Almighty GOD to pardon what he has ſeen amiſs in you ſince you came into his Preſence; and graciouſly to hear the Prayers, and to accept of the Praiſes which you have now offered up to Him, through the Merits of Jeſus Chriſt our only Mediator and Advocate.

A PRAYER *at our firſt Entrance into the Church.*

LORD, I am now in thine Houſe; aſſiſt, I pray Thee, and accept of my Services. Enable me, and all who ſhall this Day meet in thy Name, to worſhip Thee in Spirit and in Truth.

Let thy Holy Spirit help our Infirmities, and diſpoſe our Hearts to Serioufneſs, Attention, and Devotion; and grant that we may improve this Opportunity to the Honour of thy holy Name, and the Benefit of our Souls, through *Jeſus Chriſt* our Lord. *Amen.*

A PRAYER

A PRAYER *at Church after the Service is ended.*

BLeſſed be thy Name, O Lord, for this Opportunity of attending Thee in thy Houſe and Service.

Grant that I, and all that profeſs thy Name, may be Doers of thy Word, and not Hearers only. Pardon our Wanderings and Imperfections; and accept both us and our Services, through our only Mediator *Jeſus Chriſt*. Amen.

In order to aſſiſt pious Chriſtians in their religious Exerciſes of private Devotion, where other Helps may be wanting; it has been thought convenient to add the two following *Tables*.—The *firſt* of the COLLECTS in the Book of *Common Prayer*, as they may ſuit the general or particular Circumſtances of Chriſtians—The other of the Book of PSALMS; which abounds with a Variety of divine Thoughts, holy Ejaculations and religious Meditations for Prayers, Praiſes, and Thankſgivings.

An Alphabetical TABLE *of the Weekly* COLLECTS *in the Book of* Common Prayer, *reduced under proper heads.*

AFFLICTION.

PRAYERS for Deliverance from, and Support under *Afflictions*. Collects for the *third* Sunday after the *Epiphany*, *eighth* after *Trinity*, and *fifth* Sunday in *Lent*.

ANGELS.

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Prayer for the Guardianſhip of *Angels*. Collect for St. *Michael*.

CHARITY. See LOVE.

CHASTITY.

A *Prayer* for *Chaſtity*. Collect for the *firſt* Sunday in *Lent*.

CHRIST.

A *Prayer* for the Imitation of CHRIST. Collects for the Sunday *next* before *Eaſter*, and the *ſecond* Sunday after *Eaſter*.

For the Benefit of CHRIST's Death. Collect for the *Annunciation*.

CHURCH.

Prayers for the *Univerſal Church*. Collects for the *fifth* Sunday after *Epiphany*, the *third* Sunday after *Eaſter*, St. *John* the *Evangeliſt*, and the two *firſt* Collects for *Good-Friday*.

For the Unity of the *Church*. Collect for St. *Simon* and *Jude*.

For the Peace of the *Church*. Collects for the *fifth*, *ſixteenth*, and *twenty-ſecond* Sundays after *Trinity*.

COMFORT.

A *Prayer* for ſpiritual *Comfort*. Collect for the Sunday after the *Aſcenſion*.

CONTRITION.

A *Prayer* for *Contrition*. Collect for *Aſh-Wedneſday*.

COVETOUSNESS.

A *Prayer* againſt *Covetouſneſs*. Collect for St. *Matthew*'s Day.

COURAGE.

A *Prayer* for Chriſtian *Courage*. Collect for St. *John Baptiſt*.

ENEMIES.

A *Prayer* for Deliverance from *Enemies*. Collect for the *third* Sunday in *Lent*.

EXAMPLE.

Prayers that we may *follow* the *Example* of CHRIST. Collects for the Sunday *next* before *Easter*, and the *second* Sunday after *Easter*.

FAITH.

Prayers for a right and firm *Faith*. Collect for *Trinity* Sunday, St. *Thomas*, and St. *Mark*.

For *Faith*, *Hope*, and *Charity*. Collect for the *fourteenth* Sunday after *Trinity*.

GRACE.

Prayers for *Grace* and *Assistance* in our Christian Course. Collects for the *fourth* Sunday in *Advent*, *second* in *Lent*, *Easter Day*, *third* Sunday after *Easter*, and the *first*, *seventh*, and *thirteenth* after *Trinity*.

HEAVEN.

A *Prayer* for *heavenly* Desires. Collect for *Ascension Day*.

For Admittance to the Enjoyment of GOD in *Heaven*. Collects for the *Epiphany*, the *sixth* Sunday after *Epiphany*, and the Sunday after *Ascension*.

HUMILITY.

A *Prayer* for *Humility* and *Patience*. Collect for the Sunday before *Easter*.

ILLUMINATION.

Prayers for *Illumination*, or a right Judgment in all Things. Collect for *Whitsunday*, *first* Sunday after *Epiphany*, and the *ninth* after *Trinity*.

JUDGMENTS.

Prayers for Deliverance from *Judgments*. Collects for *Septuagesima*, *Sexagesima*, and the *fourth* Sunday in *Lent*.

LOVE.

Prayers for the *Love* of GOD and his Laws. Collects for the *fourth* Sunday after *Easter*, and the *sixth*, *seventh*, and *fourteenth* after *Trinity*.

For *Love* and *Charity*. Collect for *Quinquagesima* Sunday.

MINISTERS.

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A *Prayer* for the Fitneſs of *Miniſters*. Collect for St. *Matthias*.

That they may be diligent. Collect for St. *Peter's* Day.

That their Labours may be ſucceſsful. Collect for the *third* Sunday in *Advent*.

MORTIFICATION.

Prayers for *Mortification*. Collects for *Circumciſion* and *Eaſter-Eve*.

OBEDIENCE.

Prayers that we may *obey*, and follow the Doctrine of the Apoſtles. Collects for the Converſion of St. *Paul* and St. *John Baptiſt*. See GOOD WORKS.

PRAYERS.

For the Acceptance of our *Prayers*. Collect for the *tenth* Sunday after *Trinity*.

PROVIDENCE.

Prayers for Protection by GOD's *Providence*. Collects for the *ſecond*, *third*, *fourth*, and *twentieth* Sundays after *Trinity*.

PURITY.

A *Prayer* for *Purity* of Heart. Collect for the *Purification*.

RENOVATION.

A *Prayer* for it. Collect for *Chriſtmas-day*.

RELIGION.

A *Prayer* that we may be truly Religious. Collect for the *ſeventh* Sunday after *Trinity*.

SAINTS.

Prayers for the Imitation of them. Collects for *Innocent's Day*, St. *Stephen*, St. *Philip*, St. *James*, St. *John Baptiſt*, and *All Saints*.

SCRIPTURE.

A *Prayer* before reading the *Scripture*. Collect for the *ſecond* Sunday in *Advent*.

SIN.

Prayers for Converſion from Sin. Collects for the *firſt* Sunday in *Advent*, the *firſt* Sunday after *Eaſter*, St. *Andrew*, St. *James*, and St. *Matthew*.

For Pardon of *Sin*. Collects for the *twelfth*, *twenty-firſt*, and *twenty-fourth* Sundays after *Trinity*.

SINCERITY.

A *Prayer* for it. Collect for the *third* Sunday after *Eaſter*.

HOLY SPIRIT.

Prayers for the Direction of the *Holy Spirit*. Collects for the *nineteenth* Sunday after *Trinity*, and *fifth* after *Eaſter*.

TEMPTATIONS.

Prayers for *Deliverance* from, and *Support* under *Temptations*. Collects for the *fourth* Sunday after *Epiphany*, and the *ſecond* in *Lent*.

THOUGHTS.

A *Prayer* againſt evil *Thoughts*. Collect for the *fifth* Sunday after *Eaſter*.

UNBELIEVERS.

A *Prayer* for *Jews*, *Turks*, *Infidels*, and *Heretics*. The *third* Collect for *Good Friday*.

GOOD WORKS.

Prayers for Fruitfulneſs in *Good Works*. Collects for the *fifth* Sunday after *Eaſter*, and the *firſt*, *ninth*, *eleventh*, *thirteenth*, *ſeventeenth*, and *twenty-fifth* Sundays after *Trinity*.

A ſhort Account of the Occaſion and Deſign of the PSALMS of DAVID: *which may ſerve in the private Uſe of that divine Book, as an Help to find out ſuch Pſalms as may ſuit the general or particular Circumſtances of Chriſtians.*

MOST of the Pſalms are *Prayers*, compoſed when *David*, or ſome other prophetic Author,

thor, was expoſed to great Danger or Affliction; and therefore flies to GOD as his only Help in Time of Need, implores his Mercy, the Pardon of Sins or Deliverance from Dangers and Afflictions. Many are Pſalms of *Thankſgiving* for Mercies received; ſome are deſigned to diſplay the *Attributes* and *Perfections* of GOD, while others convey to us the moſt *uſeful Moral Inſtructions*; Laſtly, ſome of the Pſalms are *Prophetical*, and ſome few *Hiſtorical*.

PRAYERS.

I. *Prayers* for Pardon of Sin. *Pſalm* 6, 25, 38, 51, 130.

II. *Prayers* compoſed when the Pſalmiſt was deprived of an Opportunity of the public Exercife of Religion. *Pſalm* 42, 43, 63, 84.

III. *Prayers* wherein the Pſalmiſt ſeems extremely dejected, though not totally deprived of Conſolation under Afflictions. *Pſalm* 13, 22, 69, 77, 88, 143.

IV. *Prayers* wherein the Pſalmiſt aſketh Help of GOD, in Conſideration of his own Integrity, and the Uprightneſs of his Cauſe, *Pſalm* 7, 17, 26, 35.

V. *Prayers* expreſſing the firmeſt Truſt and Confidence in GOD under Afflictions. *Pſalm* 3, 16, 27, 31, 54, 56, 57, 61, 62, 71, 86.

VI. *Prayers* compoſed when the People of GOD were under Affliction or Perſecution. *Pſalm* 44, 60, 74, 79, 80, 83, 89, 94, 102, 123, 137.

VII. The following are likewiſe *Prayers* in Time of Trouble and Affliction. *Pſalm* 4, 5, 11, 28, 41, 55, 59, 64, 70, 109, 120, 140, 141, 142.

VIII. *Prayers of Interceſſion*. *Pſalm* 26, 67, 122, 182, 144.

Pſalms

Pſalms *of* THANKSGIVING.

I. *Thankſgiving* for Mercies vouchſafed to particular Perſons. *Pſalm* 9, 18, 21, 30, 34, 40, 75, 103, 108, 116, 118 138, 144.

II. *Thankſgiving* for Mercies vouchſafed to the *Iſraelites* in general. *Pſalm* 46, 48, 65, 66, 68, 76, 81, 85, 98, 105, 124, 126, 129, 135, 136, 149.

Pſalms *of* PRAISE *and* ADORATION, *diſplaying the* Attributes of GOD.

I. General Acknowledgements of GOD's *Goodneſs* and *Mercy*, and particularly his Care and Protection of good Men. *Pſalm* 23, 34, 36, 91, 100, 103, 107, 117, 121, 145, 146.

II. *Pſalms* diſplaying the *Power*, *Majeſty*, *Glory*, and other Attributes of the Divine Being. *Pſalm* 8, 19, 24, 29, 33, 47, 50, 65, 66, 76, 77, 93, 95, 96, 97, 99, 104, 111, 113, 114, 115, 134, 139, 147, 148, 150.

INSTRUCTIVE Pſalms.

I. The different Characters of Good and Bad Men: The Happineſs of the one, and the Miſery of the other, are repreſented in the following *Pſalms*, 1, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 24, 25, 32, 34, 36, 37, 50, 52, 53, 58, 73, 75, 84, 91, 92, 94, 112, 119, 121, 125, 127, 128, 133.

II. The Excellence of GOD's Law. *Pſalm* 19, 119

III. The Vanity of Human Life. *Pſalm* 39, 49, 90.

IV. Advice to Magiſtrates. *Pſalm* 82, 101.

V. The Virtue of Humility. *Pſalm* 131.

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THE END.

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